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W. A. Meier at Houghton Commencement

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[illegible] N. Y., June [illegible]—[illegible] A. Meier, internationally [illegible] preacher of the Lutheran [illegible] Commencement [illegible] Houghton College [illegible] morning, June [illegible] [illegible] were [illegible] college seniors. [illegible] of the ceremony. [illegible] the message [illegible] declaring that this [illegible] is facing greater [illegible] than any [illegible] class in history [illegible] that seniors are [illegible] he said, there are fifty [illegible] men fighting, fifty mil- [illegible] in industry to sup- [illegible], ten million who have [illegible] battle and thirty to forty [illegible] homeless. All this is the [illegible] of intellectual atheism in [illegible] universities, he argued.

[illegible], Dr. Meier said, [illegible] lie in cultural elevation. [illegible] war is being fought by [illegible] highly civilized nations [illegible] world, which only pro- [illegible] a more clever criminal. [illegible] lies in the develop- [illegible] of Christian citizenship to [illegible] in a constructive way, [illegible] the activities of [illegible]. He noted that psy- [illegible] declare that two per [illegible] a community can influ- [illegible] the whole group if they are [illegible] devoted to their [illegible] and challenged college [illegible] to be that two per cent. [illegible] scientists, he [illegible] were outspoken Chris- [illegible] upon their state- [illegible] is compiled by his stu- [illegible]

[illegible] the [illegible] of a commission to [illegible] a common doctrinal [illegible] in conformity to God's [illegible] by the united action of [illegible] people, minimizing the [illegible] between them.

[illegible] high school students [illegible] Bible school seniors [illegible] presented with diplomas at [illegible] of the morning's program.

Gordon College Institutes Its Summer School

Special to Evangelical Action

BOSTON, Mass., June [illegible]—Gordon College of Theology and Missions opened the first session of its summer school, an innovation for Gordon, on Tuesday. Three courses were [illegible] in two sessions, the first four weeks beginning June 12 and the second to begin July 17 with [illegible] for six weeks. [illegible] those who were unable to register for the first session may enroll for the second if desired.

Members of the college faculty and others will teach the courses. These include President T. L. Lewis; Dean Burton [illegible] Goddard; Prof. Edwin K. Gedney; Prof. [illegible] A. Tarbell; Dr. Roger R. Nicole; Rev. Kenneth Kantzer; and Prof. Alfred W. Eppard of Westminster Seminary; Rev. Floyd E. Hamilton, returned missionary from Korea; Rev. Joseph T. Bayly, former instructor at King's College now representative of the Inter-Varsity Christian Fellowship; and Rev. Edward J. Carnell.

Subjects covered in the college course, first session are Ancient History, and Europe in the 16th Century, Mr. Kantzer; Beginning French and Beginning German, Dr. Nicole; Missions in China, Prof. Tarbell; Comparative Religions, and Lectures on Physics and Chemistry, Prof. Gedney. Second session, Social Psychology and Abnormal Psychology, Mr. Bayly; Missions in Korea, Mr. Hamilton; Europe in the 16th Century (continued), Mr. Kantzer, and continuations of both of Dr. [illegible] courses.

The [illegible] courses [illegible] in the first session are The Parables of Jesus, and The Death of Christ, Prof. Eppard; and Christian Apologetics, Mr. Carnell. Second session, Missionary Principles in Acts, and Science and the Early Chapters of Genesis, Mr. Hamilton; and Mr.

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N. R. B. Moves Against Radio Discrimination At Buffalo Meeting

The executive committee of the National Religious Broadcasters which met at Buffalo, N. Y., June 5 at the Churchill Tabernacle. Reading left to right are: Rev. Charles M. [illegible], Wheaton, Ill.; Dr. Glenn V. Tingley, Birmingham, Ala.; Dr. John [illegible] Zoller, Detroit, Mich.; Dr. James DeForest Murch, Cincinnati, O.; Mr. Howard W. Ferrin, Providence, R. I.; Rev. Dale Crowley, Washington, D. C.; Dr. Clinton H. Churchill, Buffalo, N. Y.; Dr. Eugene R. Bertermann, St. Louis, Mo.; Dr. William Ward Ayer, New York City; and Rev. Thomas F. Zimmerman, Springfield, Mo.

BUFFALO, N. Y., June [illegible]—Discriminatory practices against evangelical Christian broadcasting will be met with vigorous action by National Religious Broadcasters, Inc., following their recent executive meeting in Buffalo.

A new executive secretary, Rev. Arthur House Stainback, was chosen to give full time to the work after July 15. Regional conferences will be held to arouse evangelicals everywhere to action. A lobby will be established in Washington to secure necessary legislation. Amicable relations will be established with radio broadcasting stations, networks, unions and with other broadcasters.

A critical situation now confronts religious broadcasting, according to Dr. Clinton H. Churchill, president of NRB. Practically none of the networks will sell time for religious broadcasts. Local stations have made restrictions which have crippled or altogether eliminated many worthy evangelical broadcasts.

Every member of the NRB Executive Committee was present at the Buffalo meeting. Dr. J. Elwin Wright, field secretary, and Rev. Melville G. Hatcher, secretary for evangelism, also attended the meeting.

The most significant action was the choice of Rev. Stainback as executive secretary. Rev. Stainback is at present pastor of the First Baptist Church, Georgetown, Ky., one of the largest churches of his denomination in the state. He is also religious program adviser for Station WCKY in Cincinnati and formerly held this position at Station WKRC. Rev. Stainback comes to his post with a splendid background and experience in religious broadcasting. He has already outlined a program of vigorous promotion in which he expects to enlist several hundred new members of NRB. Interviews have been arranged with officials of the Federal Communications Commission and the leading networks of the country.

It was also decided at Buffalo that a group of the nation's best known radio preachers will speak at the Regional Evangelistic Conferences to be held throughout the country this fall by the National Association of Evangelicals. These speakers expect to enlist the united support of all evangelicals in safeguarding their radio rights for the preaching of

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Dr. James DeForest Murch Assumes Editorship of Paper

(Special to Evangelical Action)

BOSTON, Mass., June [illegible]—By unanimous vote of the Central Committee of N.A.E. at its last meeting, Dr. James DeForest Murch was appointed Editor-in-Chief of United Evangelical Action. He has already taken up his duties at the Boston office.

Dr. Murch was formerly associated with Standard Publishing Company of Cincinnati, publishers of Sunday School literature. He received his A.B. at Ohio University. The honorary degree of D.D. was conferred by Northwest Christian College (Eugene, Oregon). He is an ordained minister in the Disciples of Christ. He served as pastor of the Observatory Hill Christian Church in Pittsburgh, Pa., [illegible]; became assistant editor of Christian Standard in 1916; editor of the Lookout in 1918. He was editor of the Standard Christian Endeavor Quarterly [illegible]; editor of Christian Restoration Herald, 1925-34; lecturer on Christian

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Evangelical Free Church Of America Becomes NAE Affiliate

(Special to Evangelical Action)

MINNEAPOLIS, Minn., June 18—As one of its major bits of legislative action, the [illegible] annual conference of the Evangelical Free Church of America meeting at Medicine Lake Bible Camp, June 11-17, voted to join the National Association of Evangelicals and cooperate with it completely in its wide scope of influence and effort.

The conference had nominated two of its leaders to be on hand for observance at the recent N. A. E. conference in Chicago and the report brought in by them was enough to bring quick and decisive action to join the group. The Evangelical Free Church lists some 152 churches and includes an approximate 12,000 members scattered throughout 13 states, mainly in the midwest and far west.

Other decisions reached at the conference included the following: 1—Calling of a full-time foreign missions secretary. 2—Establishing of a $25,000 fund for rehabilitation and relief work in China. 3—Sending out of 10 new missionaries to China as

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rston and Taylor at Houghton's Baccalaureate

[illegible] to Evangelical Action

[illegible]GHTON, N. Y., June 6—Dr. [illegible] L. Marston, president of [illegible] of the Free Metho- [illegible] church, and well-known au- [illegible] on child psychology, [illegible] baccalaureate preacher at [illegible] college commence- [illegible] Sunday morning, June 3. [illegible] the organ prelude by [illegible] C. Carapetyan, facul- [illegible] and seniors marched [illegible] the Houghton Wesleyan [illegible]. The college pastor, Rev. [illegible] led in the invo- [illegible]. The special music was [illegible] by the a cappella choir, [illegible] by Prof. Caro Carape- [illegible] Dr. Stephen W. Paine, [illegible] of the college, intro- [illegible] the speakers. Prayer was [illegible] by Rev. William F. [illegible], father of Bill Smalley, [illegible] the graduates.

[illegible] Marston's text was "My [illegible] is easy and my burden is [illegible]". He declared that while [illegible] rebelled against yokes [illegible] kind, unless there was a [illegible] revival and our peo- [illegible] accepted Jesus' yoke, noth- [illegible] save this generation [illegible] paganism, and the next [illegible]. Our waning con- [illegible] of sin already marks [illegible] a pagan age. "Sin has be- [illegible] a profession", the speaker [illegible] after quoting figures [illegible] survey of the American [illegible] on Education, that only [illegible] per cent of young people [illegible] any idea that drink- [illegible] and many of them [illegible] without scruple. [illegible] education, the [illegible] argued that the present school system has been concerned only with "adjusting the child to the program of the age, and we have lost our footing upon the Rock of Ages". It leaves the student without a moral, philosophical or spiritual basis for his life. Finally he said that modern religion has become "a yokeless religion", that the modern pulpit has lost its scriptural ministry. Quoting a survey of New England school principals, he argued that the movies influence the thinking of the nation more than any other factor, and referred to an inscription at a supposedly Christian university that "No God is greater than his man".

As a result of these three movements, he used the quotation of another that modern life "has become a dizzy whirl about a central emptiness", saying that youth has been set adrift on the sea of life without a chart, compass or goal, that we in America have been consuming our heritage of freedom without realizing it, due to our "yokeless conduct". The human life needs a yoke, he said, "for if life is to achieve freedom it must submit to a yoke". While Russian communism has declared war against tobacco, alcohol and sexual impurity, a Russian youth had said to him that "The church has lost its youth appeal on this very point of pampering and indulgence."

In conclusion he declared that youth is beginning to ask for a yoke, agreeing with Dorothy

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Hearst Papers Now Boost Youth For Christ Movement

Special to Evangelical Action

BOSTON, Mass., June 25—History reveals that a genuine revival is always attended by an awakened interest in religion on the part of the secular world. Youth for Christ has been the object of widespread publicity which is unquestionably prompted by the quiet leading of the Holy Spirit.

Last Thursday night New England Youth for Christ Director John A. Huffman was contacted by Bert Ford of the Boston Evening American concerning this movement. Mr. Ford said, "We have insistent orders from our Chief, William Randolph Hearst, to get behind this great movement and to follow it week by week with pictures and stories in all sections of the country. What was behind this order? Was it a frame-up, catch, or a genuine attempt to help the good work along?

With Saturday night's edition, the Hearst publications in New England produced evidence that the chief's orders were authentic and that the Boston papers mean business. This news barrage was launched with a half-page article having large photo illustrations and followed the next day with additional pictures and a new write-up. This miracle coverage is to continue week after week, with a special photographer and reporter [illegible] ering the Saturday night [illegible] ap- [illegible] which are held [illegible] dimes night in historic [illegible]stination for [illegible] gregational [illegible].

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[illegible]ain, Conn., Holds Its First State-wide NAE Rally

(Special to Evangelical Action)

NEW BRITAIN, Conn., June 18—The first all-state conference of the Evangelical churches of Connecticut was held in the Evangelical Bethany Church here, one of the strongest such churches in the state, Rev. Carl J. Freedeen, pastor. Seating 500 it was filled at each of the three evening services, when Dr. Bob Jones, Sr., of Cleveland, Tenn., preached. At the day sessions, Dr. Jones spoke of the need for Evangelicals to band themselves together in a mighty crusade for Christ. He stated that "old-fashioned" believers are greater in numbers than the Modernists, but have lacked the leadership and organization to make themselves felt, and must learn to co-operate.

Morning and afternoon sessions had smaller attendance, but were rich with inspiration and evangelical information. Among these speakers were Rev. Nathaniel Franklin of Willmar, Minn., leader of Sunday school work for Mission Covenant Churches, Dr. J. Elwin Wright, executive secretary of NAE, Rev. Clyde W. Taylor, of Washington, D. C., NEA secretary for missions, and Dr. Jones.

Rev. Richard G. Simpson of New Britain is president of the state organization, and Rev. Edwin N. P. Hempel of Waterbury is secretary. Mr. Simpson and Pastor Freedeen presided at the various services, each of which began with singing, prayers and testimonies. Frank Sweet, a Hartford Christian layman, was song leader, with special music by local choirs and groups from other parts of the state, and music by instrumentalists. The latter included the Harrison String Ensemble of Bridgeport, Grant Gardner, youthful accordianist of Hartford, the Fellowship Girls' trio of that city, Rev. Bradford Hess, of Hartford, and Mr. Sweet. Morning devotional sessions were led by Rev. J. Robert Ashcroft of Hartford and Rev. U. S. Grant Sension of New London. Testimony services were in charge of Rev. Edward Hanson of this city.

Ministers and laymen from at least ten denominations from various parts of the state attended these services. Literature and advertising explaining the work of NAE was distributed. Meals were served by ladies of four local cooperating churches. The conference did much to cement the forces of the orthodox believers in Christ, and it was the concensus of opinion that it should be followed by many similar conferences.

Miami Shenandoah Presbyterian Church Votes To Join NAE

(Special to Evangelical Action)

MIAMI, Fla., June 18 — At a meeting of the church on June 17, it was voted unanimously that the Shenandoah Presbyterian Church apply for membership in N.A.E. Shenandoah is the largest Presbyterian church in South Florida and one of the largest in the state. Dr. Daniel Iverson is the pastor.

Pentecostal Holiness Church Ratifies Membership In NAE

Special to Evangelical Action

OKLAHOMA CITY, Okla., June 19—The General Conference of the Pentecostal Holiness Church voted unanimously tonight to ratify previous action of its General Board to place the denomination in the National Association of Evangelicals.

The resolution, read by Rev. J. W. Berry of Fayetteville, N. C., chairman of the Resolutions Committee, followed an address by Dr. R. L. Decker, first vice president of NAE.

The resolution also provided an annual payment of $1,000.00 toward the support of the Association. The resolution was adopted by the legislative body without discussion and without a dissenting vote.

Oklahoma Pastor Commends N.A.E.

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OKLAHOMA CITY, Okla., June 26—In a recent issue of his weekly local church paper, the Baptist Messenger, Rev. I. L. Yearby, pastor of Trinity Baptist Church of this city, has recorded his impressions of the 1945 NAE national convention. In this article Mr. Yearby said,

"It was my privilege during the ten days I was in Chicago, to attend a very important and significant gathering of Christian leaders throughout America and Canada, the national convention of the National Association of Evangelicals. In spite of all governmental restrictions, this association was able to secure permission from the ODT to hold this convention. It was a very significant meeting. The objectives of this association are of great moment in this era of our American history and for vital Christianity and the evangelical faith. It is encouraging to know that there is a basis of cooperation on the part of Christians who are of like mind in matters of mutual and common interest to all without surrendering any convictions or in any way compromising denominational integrity or joining hands in any church union movement. There are potentialities in this body that has been called into existance and action by Almighty God, which are far-reaching in their import for evangelical Christianity in America and throughout the world. I am glad that I had the privilege of attending this convention and getting close to the heart of beloved brethren who think and feel as we do concerning the faith once for all delivered unto the saints."

Strong N.A.E. Group Organized in Kansas City, Mo.

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KANSAS CITY, Mo., June 20 — An enthusiastic group of ministers and laymen have organized the Kansas City Association of Evangelicals, under the initiative of Rev. R. L. Decker. The laymen of the group seemed even more eager than the clergymen to undertake big things in an aggressive way, and when one of their number proposed that the officers to be elected include a full-time executive secretary for the Kansas City area, Mr. Decker declared, "I did not suggest this, and when it was proposed by some of the laymen I was dumfounded." Another N. A. E. project which particularly interested this group was that of the industrial chaplains.

The officers chosen are: Chairman, Rev. R. L. Decker, pastor of Temple Baptist Church; first vice-chairman, Rev. L. R. Sturgis, pastor of Paseo Assembly of God Church; second vice-chairman, W. H. Sheridan, a member of Central Baptist Hall, and president of the Sheridan Store Equipment Co.; secretary, Warren Wheeler, a member of the Linwood Presbyterian Church, who is also president of the Christian Business Men's Association; and treasurer, Rev. Fred Bouffet, pastor of the Gospel Tabernacle.

Kansas City is also greatly interested in some other projects of NAE and the new association has appointed committees to take them under advisement for future consideration.

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Dr. Windsor Called To Park Ave., Methodist Church, Minneapolis

(Special to Evangelical Action)

MINNEAPOLIS, Minn., June 22—Dr. J. Enos Windsor, formerly pastor of Columbia Methodist Church in Cincinnati has assumed his duties as pastor of Park Avenue Methodist Church in Minneapolis. Dr. Windsor was formerly chairman of N.A.E. in Cincinnati. The Park Avenue Church is a member and strong supporter of N.A.E. in Minneapolis.

The former pastor, Dr. Robert D. Annand, has been called to the First Methodist Church in Troy, Ohio.

Washington State Making N.A.E. Progress

Special to Evangelical Action

PORTLAND, Ore., June 25—Rev. William H. Nagel, NAE regional director for the Northwest Pacific District, has returned to his office here with encouraging reports of NAE progress in Washington, after a trip which included promotional rallies at Athena, Hermiston, LaGrande, Walla Walla, Milton-Freewater, Helix and Pendleton. The First Baptist Church by an earlier vote, is allied with N.A.E. and an enthusiastic rally was held there.

Radio Broadcasts By N.A.E. Speakers On Blue Network During July To Septem

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NEW YORK, June 23—The Blue network and affiliated stations announce a new series of weekly broadcasts, "Your Life Today", in cooperation with the National Association of Evangelicals, to be heard Friday mornings from 8.15 to 8.30 on WJZ and affiliated stations, for the three months from July to September. The speakers to be heard on these broadcasts are: July 6, Dr. Theodore Taylor; July 13, Rev. Joseph Hakes; July 20, Rev. Russell Jones; July 27, Rev. Martin Clough; August 3, Dr. Bob Jones, Jr.; August 10, Dr. William Ward Ayer; August 17, Dr. Bob Jones, Sr.; August 24, Dr. Donald G. Barnhouse; August 31, Rev. Leslie Flynn; September 7, Rev. Charles Anderson; September 14, Rev. Donald MacDonald; Se ber 21, Dr. Clinton Chur September 28, Dr. Joh McComb.

"Getting a Perspective" the July 6 topic of Dr. T Taylor, pastor of the C tist Church in New York "God Directed Living" theme chosen for July 13 Joseph Hakes, wellknown ern evangelist. Rev. Jones, pastor of the First Church of Bloomfield, sey, will speak on "A F tion for Tomorrow", on July The pastor of the First Church of Flushing, New Rev. Martin Clough, will for his subject on July 2 tory in Daily Life."

The themes of the for August and Septem be announced later.

Washington, D. C., Considers Organizing NAE Commi

Special to Evangelical Action

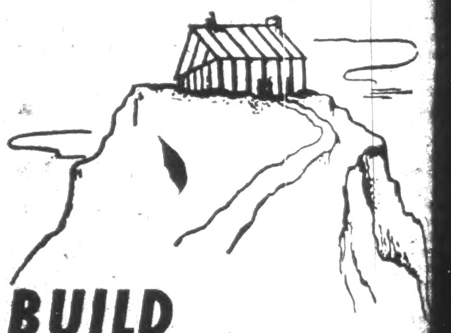
WASHINGTON, D. C., June 25—Christian leaders from a number of evangelical churches and organizations held an informal gathering in this city for the purpose of setting up a provisional committee to bring about the establishment of a Washington Association of Evangelicals. Dr. J. Elwin Wright was in the city for that purpose and after addressing the group assembled on progress made by the NAE during the past year, he offered a number of suggestions regarding the organization of a local Association.

Rev. Parke H. Heller of Baltimore, president of the Maryland Association of Evangelicals, was present and spoke regarding the work of the Association in Maryland. Rev. Dale Crowley, secretary of the National Religious Broadcasters, reported on the latest developments of evangelical broadcasting and Rev. Clyde W. Taylor, secretary for Missions of the NAE, acted as chairman and reported on steps being taken to organize the Association of gelical Foreign Missions.

After a brief period of sions and questions, Rev. Crowley was elected by the as temporary chairman to representative committee District, looking forward establishment of a per organization in the early

Minneapolis Ministers to Give Advice to Returned Servic

MINNEAPOLIS, Minn., June 18—The "clearing h which all Minneapolis come to for aid in retur civilian life has made counselling available to trons. While designed to help the veteran obtain charge benefits and to find Minneapolis veterans' tion referral office decided returning service man freq needs to talk to someone understands his personal lems. So a religious co program has been worked



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enator Butler Opposes O.D.T. Ruling

HINGTON, June 15, (R.N. -Organized religious pressure ication on travel to all of church meetings is in- ing in various sections of nation—including Washing- according to an informed e in the Office of Defense portation. The "cause cele- that has caused church —predominantly Protes- to start a new wave of is said by an ODT offi- to have been the lifting of ban on horse racing.

feel that the churches are a mountain out of a hill in connecting the lift- of the race ban with the re- on travel for religious ," said the ODT official, name was not given.

antime, pressure against re- on travel for religious continued to crop out in Senator Hugh Butler ebr.) inserted in the Con- onal Record a strong pro- sent to the President and by 160 Omaha (Nebr.) ymen who said that they d to record their "objec- to lifting the racing ban not lifting the restrictions ligious travel.

ator Arthur Capper (R,) declared in a Senate that "the recent action of War Committee on Conven- in lifting the ban on horse dog races, but retaining the ctions on religious conven- has given rise to much oning of the justice and of the policy." Capper in- in the Congressional a lengthy editorial en- "Sports? Yes! Religion? d!" written by Dr. Raphael od Miller, formerly pastor National City Christian Church of Washington, and printed in the May 23 issue of the Christian-Evangelist, of which Dr. Miller is editor.

The following day Senator Butler, prompted by increasing protests from clergymen and church members against travel limitations placed on religious groups, called on Col. J. Monroe Johnson, chairman of the War Committee on Conventions and head of the Office of Defense Transportation, "to repeal this onerous restriction on the religious organizations of the nation." He expressed the conviction that the order restricting church meetings, or demanding that permits be received from the ODT before some meetings are held, was "utterly unconstitutional," and said it should be revoked by the War Committee on Conventions itself.

"I am sure that other Senators and members of the House of Representatives have received the same type of protests, particularly since the ban on horse-racing was lifted May 9," Butler told the Senate. The Senator said he could not understand why the War Committee on Conventions "persists in its double-talk regarding travel to and from meetings called for purely religious purposes. Hundreds of summer camps, previously held by church groups, may not meet this summer if the restrictions now in effect are not lifted by the ODT. I realize as well as anyone that travel facilities are overtaxed and that every American should refrain from traveling, particularly on trains, unless he must," he said. "But I know that religious organizations do not usually call meetings for frivolous purposes and that they do not urge people to attend meetings just for the train ride."

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summary of a Harper's ine survey that "perhaps first time we have a gen- that is not clamoring for freedom, but for less free- nd more security". Nothing of a personal surrender to , and a vision of the Chris- ission will adequately sat- e demands of youth, was al challenge.

W. Taylor Speaker at the Evening Service

annual college Missionary was held the evening of me day, when another of NAE staff as the . Dr. Paine introduced lyde W. Taylor, missionary y of NAE. A graduate of College, a missionary ex- of three years in Peru ven years in the Columb- public, and a member of 's faculty in later years. Taylor's address was in- packed with information allenge, as he maintained ign missions are today crossroads. Telling also of AE work in Washington ting the work of vari- sion boards and hand- heir contacts with the ment, he declared that the need of mission work to- a united front. He told of ge fields yet untouched, great areas in Asia, America and Europe. With -day aids such as the nd airplane, he said that llenge of missions today reatest that has ever con- the church.

other hand, he emphasized the new foes which missions must face, including American vices and commercialism.

Concluding his address, Mr. Taylor said that the church needs a vision of a living, saving Christ, a sense of personal responsibility for lost humanity, preparation by knowledge of the Bible, and a determination to go the limit for the cause of Christ.

Dr. Bob Jones, Sr., at New Britain, Conn., Rally

(Special to Evangelical Action)

NEW BRITAIN, Conn., June 18—Three powerful evangelical, evangelistic sermons were preached here in the Evangelical Bethany Church, Rev. Carl J. Fredeen, pastor, on successive evenings, in connection with the all-state NAE conference. On Wednesday evening, Dr. Jones preached a stirring sermon on the fundamentals of the faith, and the conflict with Modernism. The following evening, he delivered a convincing message on the causes of juvenile delinquency, in which he showed how an educational philosophy which teaches man to do as he pleases was undermining the Christian faith upon which our forefathers built men and women of integrity and moral uprightness. He made a plea for America to get back to a recognition of the authority of God and His word before the judgment of moral corruption and its consequences ruins us.

On the final evening, the concluding session of the conference, Dr. Jones preached to a congregation that overtaxed the seating facilities of the church an old-fashioned salvation message for saints and sinners. Many responded to this appeal with a reconsecration of their lives to Christ.

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Evangelical Free Church Leader Endorses N.A.E.

Rev. Elmer Johnson, pastor of the Evangelical Free Church of Rockford, Ill., one of the largest in that denomination, contributed in an article in the May 29th issue of the denomination's weekly organ, "The Evangelical Beacon", urging that the Free Church become officially allied with the National Association of Evangelicals. Many of the ministers and lay people of that church are already allied with N. A. E. Under the caption "A Movement for These Times", he writes:

"A few Free Church men attended the National Association of Evangelicals' Convention at the Stevens Hotel in Chicago at the beginning of May. These were enthusiastic in their praise of the convention and its activities. From all indications it appears to be the organization with which the Free Church should affiliate for its stand for evangelical Christianity and against modernism.

"The N. A. E. has now reached the stage where there is no longer any doubt about its future. It will continue to be the voice of increasing numbers of fundamental Christians. It will more and more become the medium through which conservative believers may make a united stand in matters vital to our policies and practices. They speak for sound defenders of the faith before government officials, in the interest of radio, missions, education, and other important matters.

"The time has come when the Evangelical Free Church of America should line up with these earnest brethren in a stand for evangelical and evangelistic testimony. I trust we can this year decide, at our conference, to affiliate. It will bring us much help in the furtherance of our work at home and abroad.

"The spirit of the conference was one of real brotherliness and unity. Spiritual emphasis was felt in all business and devotional sessions. The presence of God was felt. We will feel at home among them."

Lutheran Hour Preacher Invited to Antipodes

NEW YORK, June 20, (RNS)—Dr. Walter A. Maier, who has just completed his 12th season of broadcasts on the Lutheran Hour, has been invited to visit Africa and Australia. The Kano Bible School of Nigeria, West Africa, has asked Dr. Maier to address the Sudan Interior Missions Organization in Africa, and Dr. Clarence Hoopmann, president of the Evangelical Lutheran Synod of Australia, has asked him to investigate the possibilities of expanding Lutheran Hour programs in Australia.

FALMOUTH, Mass., June 23—The Beebe estate, long noted as a show spot of Cape Cod, but unoccupied for the past two years, was purchased recently by Dr. J. Elwin Wright, executive secretary of the National Association of Evangelicals. Today marked the opening of one of its mansion houses as the first unit of the hotels which will be run as year-round vacation spots for Christian people. This unit is named Tanglewood Manor. The second unit will be Tanglewood Arms, and will open in August if equipment is available in time.

The estate comprises 640 acres of woodland overlooking Buzard's Bay to the north and the ocean to the south. Mr. Wright stated that he would be able to devote little time to its management because of his other duties, but that an efficient manager, hostess and staff of eighteen, all of them devoted Christians, have been employed to run the enterprise. The property is one of the largest, most sightly and best equipped on the entire Cape.

Standards in Christian Medical Schools Must Be Raised in India Soon

LONDON, (By Wireless) (RNS) June 20 — Three lower grade Christian medical schools in India face suspension of their work through the raising of standards of medical education in that country, it was reported here by the Rev. J. C. MacGilvray, bursar of the Missionary Medical College for Women at Vellore, South India.

Mr. MacGilvray said that graduates of these schools had staffed 900 Christian hospitals and dispensaries in India, and that one-eighth of India's patients were treated in the hospitals last year. He also discussed plans by which the Missionary Medical College will become India's first accredited co-educational Christian medical college. He said that 38 missionary societies, representing all major Protestant denominations in Great Britain, United States, Canada, Sweden, Denmark, and Australia, were cooperating in the project, and that funds had been liberally subscribed in India as well as by these missionary groups.

Mr. MacGilvray announced that next year it was planned to open a school of nursing which will train students for a science degree in nursing, and that a leprosy research institute will be built near Vellore, as the highest incidence of leprosy has been recorded in that vicinity.

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Special to Evangelical Action

WASHINGTON, D. C. June 21—The climatic command by Christ in the Sermon on the Mount is "Seek ye first the Kingdom of God and his righteousness". We either do that or we don't! The danger of our day is two-fold. First, preoccupancy and second, we let the good become the enemy of the best.

In all Christian movements like Breakfast Groups we expect the man to take Jesus Christ seriously live and operate on a higher plane and manifest what it means "to follow Christ".

The month of May has registered real progress along this line. The Groups are producing troops for Christian action. The transforming, rich fellowship has become a "followship" with Christ. A saving faith in Jesus the Savior is producing total commitment of life, the result of which is inner release, courage and manhood. Many are finding the book, "My Utmost For His Highest" by Oswald Chambers of superb value for daily reading. I recommend it.

Dr. J. Braden Thompson, Chairman of the Boston B. G. writes: "We are really making substantial progress. Enthusiasm is wholesome and high and attendance seems to be gradually on the increase".

The first two weeks of May were given to the Breakfast Groups in Sacramento, San Francisco and the World Security Conference there. State Legislators and officials have united with the city leadership in weekly inspirational round table meetings at Sacramento. It was inspiring and encouraging to meet with that fine body to which Governor Warren is giving his support and-Lt. Governor Haueser is presiding. Congressman John Phillips has been giving encouragement to the development of that Group.

Seventeen different departments of the San Francisco City Government are represented in one of the Breakfast Groups of that city. It is a verile and promising body of men." Judge Curtis Wilbur has been the Chairman of the Tuesday Group since its beginning eight years ago and S. M. Smith is the corordinator of the San Francisco program.

Our President, Mr. Nathaniel Leverone came from Chicago for the specific purpose of assisting in the San Francisco Program and to be the toastmaster at a dinner meeting on May 13th for delegates to the United Nations Conference. He gave a valuable contribution to the various meetings. There were 44 men present at the dinner meeting. Mayor Lapham presided and conveyed the welcome for the city. Judge Wilbur introduced the evening discussion on the subject: "The Basis for Unity, Stability and Progress Among the Nations". An interesting round table discussion followed, concluded with a period of prayer.

The conclusions were: 1—The World Organization Conference was a constructive step in the right direction. 2—Our contrasting backgrounds and great differences as nations reveal a great need for a molding moral and spiritual influence, producing maturity, manhood, vision, and inspiration as a family of nations. 3—The Christian message has made democratic cooperation possible and the hope for the future lies in Jesus Christ, His teachings, and the diffusion of His Spirit in the hearts and affairs of men. Vital Christian world mission is imperative. "No other foundation can any man lay than that which is laid which is Jesus Christ".

Representatives from 49 nations met in smaller groups and in larger gatherings. They learned to know each other. Friendships were established. A beginning was made for future cooperation in the various fields of endeavor, collective thinking and planning. Men with a common faith in God and His word found each other. Two world organizations are therefore constituted. One, the mechanical and more superficial—the other, the moral and spiritual, fundamental and eternal! Our contribtuion to the Conference was in the field of the latter.

Daily prayer meetings were held from noon till 1 P. M. at Glide Memorial Church. We had sixteen different meetings during those two weeks, including a public meeting on Sunday afternoon at Glide Memorial Church, over which Chester MacPhee, City Supervisor and Chairman of the Thursday Morning Breakfast Group, presided. We believe our coming was in Divine order and brought lasting results, particularly in dealing with individual men whom we pointed to Christ.

We had a business meeting with members of the Board of Directors who were in San Francisco at that time. Vice President Edward Allen of Seattle—(who spoke fittingly at some of the meetings), Fred Niemand, M.D., S. M. Smith, Nathaniel Leverone, and myself. Recommendations were made by this group that the annual meeting be held in Washington on January 21 and 22, 1946. Mr. Leverone was asked to visit the Pacific Northwest in August. God willing, I expect to devote the months of July and August to the Pacific Coast. Mail will be forwarded to me from the Washington Office. Mrs. Louise Sexton will be in charge of this office.

Pray much that God will bless in a might way, open His doors, raise up His people, and make us fruitful for Him and instruments for His use!

REV. J. F. GERIG

Fort Wayne Bible Institute Elects Rev. J. F. Gerig, Dean

Special to Evangelical Action

PHOENIX, Ariz., June 23—Rev. Jared F. Gerig, pastor of the First Missionary Church of Phoenix, Ariz., and chairman of the NAE group of ministers in that city, has resigned that pastorate, and will leave Phoenix the latter part of July to assume the position of dean of the Fort Wayne Bible Institute, Fort Wayne, Indiana, on August 1. Rev. George Ford, pastor of the First Free Methodist Church will assume the responsibility of pastor for the Missionary Church for the remainder of the church year.

Mr. Gerig is himself a graduate of the Fort Wayne Institute. He received his Th.B. degree from Cleveland (O.) Bible College in 1928, and his A.B. from Fenn College, Cleveland, in 1941. He has also earned a Master's degree, conferred this spring by Temple State Teachers' College in Phoenix. He is married and the father of three children.

At Fort Wayne he will succeed Capt. S. A. Witmer, who has been dean for the past eight years, and has now been elected president of the Institute. He was discharged June 1 from the chaplain's corps of the army, in which he has been serving at the Galveston (Texas) Air Base. His term of service as president is for three years.

Rev. J. A. Ringenberg, who is a member of the NAE Board of Administration, has been serving at Fort Wayne as acting president during Captain Witmer's absence.

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Anglican Bishops Would Train Clergy in Evangelism to Save Britain Spiritual

LONDON (By Wireless) (RNS) June 29—A proposal that the Church of England spend up to a million dollars annually for an educational and publicity campaign to "convert England to the Christian faith" was submitted to the Church Assembly by the Commission on Evangelism appointed in 1943 by the Archbishops of Canterbury and York.

The report, which has been widely hailed as one of the most important documents ever received by the Assembly, painted a gloomy picture of religious life in Britain and called for an unprecedented effort to combat irreligious tendencies.

"The state of the Christian religion in this country," the report declared, "urgently calls for definite action. That definite action is no less than the conversion of England to the Christian faith. It is indisputable that only a small percentage of the nation today joins regularly in public worship of any kind. The war has revealed and has also accelerated the sharp decline in truthfulness and personal honesty and the alarming spread of sexual laxity and the gambling fever."

Increased use of modern propaganda media was recommended including the radio, television, and the press. It was proposed that the campaign be extended for five years. "We do not argue," the report stated, "that evangelism by advertising will effect convension, but we do believe that it may prove of incalculable value in the preliminary stage of preparing the soil for reception of the seed and that it can bring into touch with the Church thousands now thirsting for spiritual strength and peace of heart."

The report also dealt at length with the need for more adequate training of clergy in evangelism, and took issue with suggestions that standards of ordination should be lowered to make up the present serious clergy shortage in England. In this section of its report, the commission expressed alarm that few clergymen are given any training of this kind, and said it is "gravely perturbed" to discover how many seem to have received no adequate training in prayer and meditation.

"Ignorance of the Bible today is not wholly in the ranks of the laity," the commission declared, "But also among many clergy, particularly the younger clergy, it is really horrifying. The standard of preaching throughout the Church, generally speaking deplorably low."

Calling attention to the erical inadequacy of the the commission stated tween the two wars the tion of England increased 000,000, but the clergy by 3,000. During this war shortage, it warned, temptation will be for the to demand, and bishops mit, a lower standard ing and personal qualif

Maryland Methodists Oppose Church Acti in State A

WESTMINSTER, Md., (RNS) — A resolution maintenance by the Pr the United States of a representative at the was adopted by the Conference of the Church at its concluding here. The resolution that the traditional policy United States has been tion of church and since the war in Europe concluded, the reason by the late President for maintaining a repr had ceased to exist.

The Conference also record as opposing tal restrictions on and church gatherings in tion with wartime bans portation.

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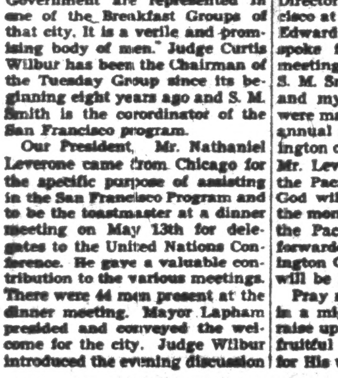

Rev. and Mrs. E. Paul Yphantis and children, David, Isabel and Phoebe. Mr. and Mrs. Yphantis have been in Greece for nine years and carried on a fruitful missionary work until repatriated on the S. S. Drothingholm in 1942. He expects to return back to Greece soon.

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Commission has assigned in bands to non-commercial tional stations and is urg- he educational interests of country to avail themselves em. Already a few public l systems, colleges and uni- ties are using FM facilities, an increasing number are applications for licenses. o far, few distinctively evan- l institutions have request- ch privileges.

January 26 of this year, 17 representatives of almost any Christian educational tions in the east, met in York to consider this mat- The result was the forma- f an FM Christian Educa- Committee, an affiliate of tional Religious Broadcast stimulate the evangelical tors of this country to inves- the possibilities of securing s for the erection of dis- ely Christian-owned, Chris- ntrolled and Christian-op- l non-commercial FM Sta- The following officers were d:

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his meeting representatives ton, Providence, New York hiladelphia were suggested ore the possibilities of an tion in these localities and what opportunities for the formation of east FM religious net- y such cooperation, the would be guaranteed a the air in this new realm dcasting.

May of this year, the FM ian Educational Committee gain in New York City and mmittee for the New York was formed with Mr. Lee of Nyack acting as Chair- It is the hope of the Com- that an FM station can be lished in New York City, and Providence is filing an ap- n shortly, these two sta- would form the beginning east chain which would y safeguard the broadcast- the Gospel in this area.

hould be definitely stated ese FM bands are not be- igned to any single church, zation or society other than nowledged educational in- n. But this limitation im- upon the evangelical edu- l schools of our land a responsibility. If such in- ns do not avail themselves unprecedented opportun- d if the bands are assigned titutions which offer only r, and in many cases even pagan, instruction, then the Christian educators will have no one to blame but themselves that they did not seize the opportunity when it was present.

Nearly $14,000,000 was paid out by Christians last year in support of Gospel broadcasting. If we could use even $1,000,000 to put up Christian FM stations, we would guarantee a place for the Gospel on the air for time to come. If you are interested, we suggest that you apply to the Federal Communications Commission in Washington, D. C., asking for Form 304 and that you investigate further the possibility of establishing an FM non-commercial Christian educational station.

Oregon Friends Protest Radio Limitations

(Special to Evangelical Action)

NEWBERG, Ore., June 23—A protest against recent restrictions imposed upon religious broadcasting has been registered by Oregon's Yearly Meeting of Friends, in a resolution forwarded by Gervas A. Carey and Mary C. Sutton, its clerks, as follows:

"Oregon Yearly Meeting of Friends Church, a constituent member of your organization, views with concern the tendency of radio networks to discontinue paid religious broadcasts. We appreciate the efforts being made by your organization to influence broadcasters to retain such programs, and assure you of our hearty concurrence in such efforts. We trust and pray you will continue to use your influence in every way possible to maintain freedom of the use of radio facilities for religious broadcasts.

"On behalf of Oregon Yearly Meeting Friends Church, held at Newberg, Oregon, June 5 to 10, 1945."

Palmquist to Leave Philadelphia Council

PHILADELPHIA (R.N.S.)—The Rev. A. E. S. Palmquist has announced plans to retire as executive secretary of the Philadelphia Federation of Churches on Nov. 1, 1945, when he will complete 25 years in the post.

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education at Cincinnati Bible Seminary 1925-37; literary editor of Standard Publishing Company since 1934. He was President of the Ohio Christian Endeavor Union and vice-president of the World Christian Endeavor Union 1920-21; a member of the board of trustees of the Christian Restoration Assn., 1925-38 (president of the association from 1925 to 1934), Cincinnati Bible Seminary 1925-38 (President, 1925-28), Minneapolis Bible University 1936-39; chmn. bd. Clarke Estate since 1922; del. World Conv. Chs. of Christ, Eng., 1935; mem. Unity Conversations Ch. of Christ and Disciples of Christ since 1937. Mem. S.A.R., Phi Kappa Tau, Tau Kappa Alpha. Republican. Mason. Author: Successful Prayer Meetings, 1930; Bible Studies for Christian Action, 1933; Studies in Christian Living, 1937; Christian Ministers Manual, 1937; Sunday School Handbook, 1939. Author of hymns, "I'll Put Jesus First," "Restoration Hymn." Home: 2856 Werk Rd.

Virginia Laymen Before Pastor Preaches

RICHMOND, Va., (RNS), June 19 — Evangelistic services at which conversions came in so rapidly that the preacher did not even have time to announce the text for a sermon were reported church on Saxis Island in the here from little Saxis Methodist Church on Saxis Island in the Chesapeake Bay. The pastor is the Rev. Robert F. Bryan.

During the first two weeks of the services there was apparently little result. No conversions were made, but praying, preaching and personal work continued. Finally different laymen took charge of part of the nightly services. The lay leadership was so effective that for five nights in succession people flocked to the altar without waiting for the sermon. So the pastor just didn't preach. He didn't even attempt to announce a text.

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Bringing the devotional messages at the conference were such outstanding men as Dr. Richard Clearwaters of Minneapolis, Dr. Wilbur Smith of Chicago, and Gil Dodds of [illegible] Mass., world champion [illegible] who talked to the young people's conference held in conjunction with the annual meetings.

Rev. Arley L. Bragg of Minneapolis was elected chairman for 1946, succeeding Rev. J. F. Francine, also of Minneapolis. Bob Johnson of Moline, Ill., was named head of the Free Church Youth Fellowship, with Mrs. Clifford Carlson of Rockford, Ill., heading the Women's Missionary Society and Rev. G. Kallberg of Meriden, Iowa, the ministerial association. The conference will return to Medicine Lake Bible Camp again in 1946 in the same conference week.

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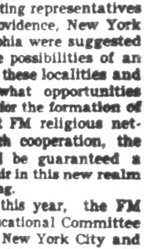

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Foxholesorts from Denominational Gatherings

Church News of General Interest

This is the time of year when most denominational national legislative bodies meet. As the secular press gives little information regarding such gatherings, United Evangelical Action is publishing brief dispatches regarding them, in the belief that its readers desire to be kept informed about other denominations, as well as their own. Due to O. D. T. restrictions, attendance at most of these assemblies was limited, as was N. A. E., to persons holding official positions.

The Northern Baptist Convention, and some others, were held earlier this year. Several denominations meet only biennially or triennially, and consequently this was an "off" year for them. Presbyterians, required by their constitutions to meet annually, constituted most of this year's gatherings, as will be observed.

Brethren in Christ

GRANTHAM, Penna., June 19—The seventy-fifth annual General Conference of the Brethren in Christ Church convened on Messiah Bible College campus, June 7 to 11. A group of one hundred and fifty delegates represented Ontario and Saskatchewan from the Dominion of Canada; California, Oregon, Oklahoma, Kansas, Iowa, Illinois, Michigan, Indiana, Ohio, Kentucky, Florida, Virginia, Pennsylvania and New York from the United States, and the Mission fields of Southern Africa and India.

Bishop R. I. Witter, Navarre, Kansas, served as moderator and Dr. H. G. Brubaker of Upland, California served as Conference Secretary.

Rev. Park Heller brought greetings from the National Association of Evangelicals.

The General Conference approved for the third consecutive year a missionary program calling for a contribution of $12.00 per member for foreign and home missions. This quota was exceeded in the past two years. The conference also went on record with a protest against peace time conscription in harmony with the peace principle the denomination has consistently supported.

Members of the Church were likewise requested to continue their contribution of $10.00 per member in support of the Peace and Foreign Relief Program of the church.

Bishop E. J. Swalm of Duntroon, Ontario, was elected moderator for the 1946 Conference.

Lutheran Free Church

MINNEAPOLIS, Minn. — A warning against isolationism on the part of the Christian Church and a demand for "complete religious freedom" in South America and Europe were expressed to the 49th annual conference of the Lutheran Free Church here, by Dr. T. O. Burntvedt, Minneapolis, President. Freedom should be accorded not only to the majority church in a given country, but also to the minority churches as well, Dr. Burntvedt said.

"In this respect there are dark and threatening clouds on the horizon in South America, in certain countries in Europe, and other places which may break and unloose upon us strife and bloodshed unless the sunlight of complete religious freedom is permitted to rend the clouds and dispel the darkness."

The Christian Church cannot live a life of isolation, Dr. Burntvedt asserted, saying, "too often, churches with strong emphases upon genuine piety and living Christianity have shown little interest in questions vital to the political, economic and social welfare of our own nation and the nations of the world."

Most pressing need facing the Lutheran Free Church, according to President Burntvedt, is "spirit-filled, consecrated and trained workers. For years the supply of pastors for our congregations, home mission fields and foreign mission fields was not only sufficient but often greater than we could gainfully employ with the funds at our disposal. Today the picture is changed, "now we have the material means, but we do not have the workers needed. If the present trend continues for some time, the situation will become alarmingly serious."

Dr. Burntvedt lashed out at what he called the "ridiculous conception" which "persistingly prevails in not a few congregations refusing to call a pastor who has passed his fiftieth birthday."

Dr. Burntvedt, who has been president of the Lutheran Free Church for the past 15 years, was re-elected to a three-year term.

A golden jubilee celebration will be held by the church in 1947 in observance of the 50th anniversary of its founding, delegates voted.

They also voted to complete the church's three-year victory building fund in two years by raising $100,000 in 1945. Of the $250,000 goal, $150,000 was raised in 1944. The fund is for a $200,000 library and science building at Augsburg College and Theological Seminary, Minneapolis, and for a $50,000 physical education building-dormitory at Oak Grove Seminary, Fargo, N. D.

Budgets approved for the 1945-46 fiscal year included $60,000 for Christian education, $36,000 for foreign missions and $35,000 for home missions. Budget for home missions was increased by $7,000 over last year while the other two remained the same. In addition to its victory building fund and regular benevolences, the church is seeking to raise $38,000 in 1945 as its share of the $2,500,000 Lutheran World Action Appeal goal.

Five candidates for the ministry were ordained at one of the conference's concluding services. A service was held in tribute to the church's 8,246 men and women in the armed forces, its 14 chaplains and 194 members who died in the service of their country during the war.

Church of the Brethren

NORTH MANCHESTER, Ind., (RNS), June 25—An appeal for leniency in peace terms to Germany and Japan was issued here by the Church of the Brethren (Conservative Dunkers) at its 159th annual conference. The conference also expressed its "sympathy and regret for the destruction and suffering caused by American bombs," and declared its desire "to include their victims in our relief program at the earliest opportunity."

Declaring that "there is much talk of harsh terms and some appallingly brutal proposals are being made," the resolution voiced the hope that "the American people will soon recover from such hysteria. Common sense alone," it said, "teaches that there will continue to be German and Japanese peoples in the family of nations and that we will eventually have to manage to get along with them. But the church cannot rest until the bonds of brotherhood are re-established."

A budget of $1,000,000 in cash and $1,000,000 in goods was adopted by the conference. To reach the latter goal, members were urged to contribute cattle, seeds, and garments for relief in Europe.

Presbyterian Church of the U. S. (Southern)

MONTREAT, N. C. (RNS) — Dr. Thomas Kay Young of Memphis, Tenn., was elected moderator of the 85th General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church in the U. S. (Southern) at its sessions here. Dr. Young has held pastorates in Virginia and West Virginia, and has served on the Assembly's executive committee of foreign missions, judicial committee, and the permanent committee on co-operation and union.

An overture which would have imposed restrictions on marriages of Presbyterians with non-Protestants was referred to the Committee on Moral and Social Welfare. The committee was instructed to report in 1946. The restrictions were requested by the Macon, Ga., Presbytery, which declared that the Roman Catholic Church "teaches and demands that all children that may be born of a marriage between Catholics and non-Catholics shall be baptised and brought up in the Catholic faith." The Macon Presbytery urged that a minister, before officiating at the marriage of a Presbyterian to a non-Protestant or Roman Catholic, obtain a promise that children of the union be baptized and trained in the Presbyterian faith, and a further promise that the Presbyterian party in the union would not submit to another marriage ceremony.

In considering the proposal, ministers were urged to "give thorough instruction to their young people concerning marriage, especially of the requirements that will be made of them should they choose to be married by a Roman Catholic priest to a member of his church."

Presbyterian Church of the U. S. A. (Northern)

This church's 157th General Assembly met at Minneapolis last month, and some of its proceedings are summarized herewith.

Dr. William Blakeman Lampe, of St. Louis, was elected moderator of the Assembly.

Plans to appoint 100 new foreign missionaries during the current church year were announced by the Church's board of foreign missions. The Assembly gave its approval to plans of the board to expand its work in the open areas of China, India, the Near East, Latin America and Africa and to re-enter fields in the Philippines, East China, Thailand, Korea and finally Japan itself as soon as conditions permit.

"Africa" and "The Church Among Uprooted Americans" were suggested as missionary themes which congregations might use for study during the coming year.

The General Assembly also directed the Board of Christian Education to make a thorough inquiry into the need for courses of study for use in week-day and vacation church school.

"The total volume of candidates for the ministry, even discounting the uncertainties of vocations in the armed forces, is definitely greater than it has been for many years," the standing committee disclosed.

In a move to ease the pastor shortage, it was voted to permit any minister who retired prior to April 1 to supply vacant pulpits without imperilling his pension privileges. The ruling will hold until six months after the end of hostilities with the Japanese. A report that the Church has from 1,000 to 1,200 pastorless churches was made to the Assembly.

Dr. Paul Calvin Payne, Philadelphia, general secretary of the Board of Christian Education, told the General Assembly that he "thoroughly approves giving religious instruction in the public schools." But he "thoroughly disapproves you can't do anything the Sunday Schools tive." "You can't teach like arithmetic ... caught than taught" relations of the Sunday and the home always greatest hope of the insisted. "We've just ing around and haven't making the best the Sunday School," ued. "Why, if we lic schools like Sunday public schools would public scandals."

A proposal that women, under certain tions, be commissioned preachers, was referred General Council by the Assembly, the General to report the next year.

It was voted to conviction that Congress tion upon a post-war peacetime military should be deferred until war. Efforts by conscription to delete ences to peacetime from the assembly's ments were defeated ingly.

Reformed Church America

BUCK HILL FALLS, Pa. pointment of a study union with the Presbyterian Church proved by the Reformed of America (the former formed Church) at the of its 139th General Syn A similar group was by the United Presby their recent sessions mouth, Ill. Dr. Thomas of Somerville, N. J., was

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went on record peacetime military con- voted to celebrate the of complete victory with of thanksgiving and to a just peace, and President Truman for approach to the of peacemaking.

note of an increasing population in cities where Church is active, instructed its Board of Missions to cultivate a among them and draw activities of the It was said that more (500,000) Negroes had left cities in the last several

of Dr. Jacob Prins Rapids, Mich., as Min- of Evangelism, was con- A minister in the Church years, Dr. Prins served last as president of the General

ormed Church in the United States

Emergency Fund of $300,- the next year was estab- by the Synod. Of this $40,000 will go to the of the Netherlands, an- home of the Reformed Other allocations include for the denomination's $27,000 for chaplains, and defense communi- and $20,000 for reconstruc- work in foreign missions. of the remainder, nearly will be used for relief and other parts of the Originally set at $200,000, was increased after the heard a report on condi- from Dr. A. K. foreign counsellor of Church Committee on Over- and Reconstruction.

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of Myron C. Taylor, per- representative at the Vati- the late President Roose- was urged in a resolution President Truman by the Synod. In a unanimous the Synod declared the Tay- to be a violation of principle of separation of and State.

ormed Presbyterian Church

ONA LAKE, Ind. (RNS) — teaching in the public as the solution for ju- delinquency was urged at the 116th Synod of Reformed Presbyterian here. The need for Bible teachers how to the Bible was also stressed. were discussed to mobilize denomination's young people youth movement, for great- evangelism, and for effective stewardship.

Rev. M. S. McMillan of Concord, Ohio, was elected for the coming year.

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to "legislation to fasten a yoke of peacetime military on our youth" was by the Synod.

ited Presbyterian Church

MOUTH, Ill. (RNS) — Dr. M. Ferguson, pastor of the Presbyterian Church of Pa., since 1908, was moderator of the 87th Assembly of the United Church here. He Dr. James Harper Grier, president of Monmouth College.

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A two-year program of "World-wide Christian Advance," during which a fund of $2,125,000 will be sought, was endorsed. Of the amount sought, $1,000,000 will be allocated to the home and foreign mission boards, $500,000 to the denomination's five colleges, $400,000 for relocation of the Theological Seminary at Pittsburgh, Pa., $50,000 for overseas relief and reconstruction, and $35,000 for aid to service men. Dr. Albert E. Kelly of Santa Ana, Calif., newly elected vice moderator of the Assembly, was named executive secretary of the campaign. A meeting will be held at Pittsburgh on June 27 to launch the project.

The Assembly voted to continue negotiations looking toward union with the Presbyterian Church in the U. S., the Reformed Presbyterian Church, and the Reformed Church in America. An amendment to include all Presbyterian bodies was rejected.

More liberality in the use of hymns will be allowed under an overture which was adopted by a vote of 49 presbyteries favoring the proposal, one against, and 15 not reporting.

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Continuation of its membership in the Federal Council of Churches was voted at the closing session in rejecting a request that the denomination withdraw and maintain only a partial relationship with the Council.

The Assembly expressed its opposition to peacetime conscription, condemned the action of the ODT in forbidding many religious gatherings although permitting operation of race tracks, and protested the increased use of tobacco, and the allowance of sugar and grain for the manufacture of intoxicating liquors.

Rev. D. F. Nygren Writes Rallying Song Dedicated to NAE

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Special to Evangelical Action

PROVIDENCE, R. I., June 25—Rev. David F. Nygren, pastor of the Friendship St. Baptist Church of this city, which is formally affiliated with NAE, has written words and music of a rallying song dedicated to the Association. It was enthusiastically used at the recent annual meeting of the Rhode Island district, NAE, under the spirited direction of Mrs. Nygren, who proved herself a capable song leader.

This song is printed here and may be clipped for use by our readers. Additional copies may be secured by correspondence with Mr. Nygren, at 77 Rochambeau Ave., Providence 6, R. I.—Editor)

Southern Baptist Convention

NASHVILLE, Tenn., June 25—The Executive Committee of the Southern Baptist Convention voted at its regular meeting here to ask government for permission to hold its postponed 1945 convention in early November. The Committee said that a "streamlined convention" this fall would be vital in promoting their program to meet world needs.

Regular meeting of the Convention had been scheduled for Atlanta, May 8, the 100th anniversary of the Southern Baptist organization. A week-long program celebrating the centennial was postponed on request of O. D. T. The November meeting to be held in Atlanta, if permitted, would be almost wholly a business and legislative session.

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Southern Baptist churches have reported more than twice as many baptisms this year as were recorded in the first half of 1944. The ratio must be increased to some five times the 1944 record if the Convention realizes its goal of a million conversions during the year. Fifty-thousand protracted meetings are expected in as many communities before the year is up.

Dr. M. E. Dodd, director of this crusade, expressed regret that a sweeping spiritual tide of evangelism appears still to be lacking. He believes that a national revival may come during the five years following the end of war. Statistics of the Home Mission Board indicate there is an increase of 175,000 annually in the number of unsaved souls in the South, Dr. Dodd said, pleading that the evangelistic crusade may be continued for at least five years following the end of the war.

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Total church contributions of Southern Baptists in 1944 were $76,599,420, an increase of $13,532,336 over 1943, the Committee was told. It was the largest gross and largest per capita contribution in the convention's history. Mission contributions in 1944 were $17,303,519, or $3.05 per capita, an increase of 28.6 percent over the previous year. Per capita mission offering in 1933 was 93 cents.

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The Committee "most earnestly" petitioned "our government to withdraw its allotments of sugar and other essential food products to brewers and distillers," in adopting a resolution presented by Dr. Louis D. Newton, Atlanta, Ga.

It recommended to all churches, in its territory, to "make suitable and immediate provisions to minister to the needs of men and women of the armed forces, many of whom are now returning.

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The Committee has instructed the Home Mission Board to seek agreement with the Home Mission Society of the Northern Baptist Convention before launching a mission program in Alaska. The Baptist church at Anchorage had asked the board to send a missionary to Alaska. This is said to be the only Baptist church on the Alaskan mainland, and was organized by Army Chaplain Aubrey Halsell and others who were stationed there about two years ago. In certain agreements by various missionary boards, the Alaskan mission field has been assigned to Northern Baptists.

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A petition that President Truman recall Myron C. Taylor and his entire staff from the Vatican was voted by the Executive Committee and telegraphed to the White House. Dr. Louie D. Newton, Atlanta, Ga., spearhead of Southern Baptist objection to Mr. Taylor's presence at the Vatican, said the Committee's reaffirmation of its previous expressions is "extremely timely" just now as Mr. Taylor is reported enroute to Washington for a conference with the President.

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NEW YORK, (RNS), June 20—A Lutheran Service Center has been opened in the Panama Canal Zone by the Lutheran Synod of Missouri, Ohio and Other States, it was announced by the American Lutheran Publicity Bureau here. Rev. Adolf F. Gerbhardt of Portsmouth, Va., will be in charge.

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Reformed Episcopal Church Leaves Federal Council

PHILADELPHIA, June 6 — The Reformed Episcopal Church, a member of the Federal Council of the Churches of Christ in America, since 1908, at its triennial General Council, which met here this year, decided by a 68-35 vote on May 24 to withdraw from the Federal Council. The movement for withdrawal was first discussed at the 1939 gathering, and laid over until 1942 for investigation by a specially-appointed committee and discussion meanwhile. It was then laid over because of the limited representation from the local bodies, at Charleston, S. C., and so became automatically before this year's council. The final discussion and vote were taken in executive session, and as will be seen, was not hurriedly decided. Only six ministerial members of the council voted among the 33 who did not favor the withdrawal. The Reformed Episcopal Church, from its separation from the Protestant Episcopal body in 1873, has been fundamentally true to the Bible and to the basic doctrines of Christianity. The primary reason for the movement which has made this denomination leave the Federal Council was the latter's compromising attitude toward the foundations of evangelical truth. Among the outstanding advocates of withdrawal were Bishop William Culbertson, D. D., and the Rev. Frank C. Gaebelein.

The Reformed Episcopal Church has 8,639 members and 68 churches.

Teaching Bartending in Schools Opposed by California Folks

SAN DIEGO, Calif., June 18 (RNS) — Plans of the San Diego Vocational School to conduct a summer course for the training of bartenders, in conjunction with the Bartenders' Union, drew fire from the San Diego County Ministerial Association and the San Diego chapter of the WCTU.

The WCTU passed a resolution protesting "the program of coordinating our public schools with any labor union or political party." The resolution stated that "anything that tends to lower the high educational standards of our schools, or to defeat the use of higher moral training for life's higher work, is to be deplored."

The ministerial group asked the school administration to prohibit the proposed course.

Presbyterians Add to Summer Conferences

PHILADELPHIA, June 19 (RNS) —Presbyterian youth will have more summer activities this year than last season, according to Dr. Paul C. Payne, general secretary of the Board of Christian Education, Presbyterian Church in the U. S. A. There will be 141 summer conferences — 16 more than last season — and 110 junior-high camps — 28 more than in 1944. Seventy to 80 young people will attend four youth caravan training centers. Last year 23 were trained at two centers.

Southern Baptists Report on Sunday School Periodical Circulation

NASHVILLE, Tenn., June 19 (RNS) — Publications of the Sunday School Board of the Southern Baptist Convention have an annual circulation of 24,000,000, it was reported at a meeting of the board here. Of this total, 23,000,000 are periodicals, and 1,000,000 are books from the Broadman Press. During its 53 years, the board has given $13,000,000 from its profits to other agencies and institutions of the convention.

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Eighteen Baptist Missionaries to Replace 11 Killed

NEW YORK, June 16 —(R.N.S.) The Northern Baptist Convention plans to appoint eighteen missionaries to the Philippines during the next three years, it was revealed here by Dr. Jesse R. Wilson, home secretary of the American Baptist Foreign Mission Society.

They will succeed the eleven missionaries who were put to death on Panay in the Philippines on December 20, 1943, a tragedy which Dr. Wilson said "has plunged Northern Baptists into the deepest sorrow they have known in more than a century of world-wide missionary endeavor."

Germany's Christian Being Revived by War's Castigation

GENEVA (By Wireless) (RNS) June 20—Protestant and Roman Catholic youth movements are being revived in Germany, and religious groups generally have become increasingly active.

A trend noted in the Evangelical churches is the restoration of old forms of church government by consistorial boards.

Relations between the churches and the military authorities are "good," reports state. A German Evangelical pastor named Steidle, commenting on present religious sentiment in Germany, is quoted as saying: "We pray we may remain conscious of the guilt of our people, for much that is frightful has happened among us. The path of our people must be through repentance to faith."

Mennonites Appoint Twelve Missionaries

GOSHEN, Ind., (RNS) June 20 —Appointment of 12 missionaries to Argentina, India, and China, and the opening of a new mission field in Puerto Rico, was announced by the Board of Missions and Charities of the Mennonite Church the largest branch of Mennonites, at its 39th annual meeting here. Work in Puerto Rico will be built upon the medical and educational program now being conducted on the island by the Mennonite Civilian Public Service unit, which was recently visited by S. C. Yoder, president of the Board.

Approval was given by the Board to erection of a general hospital at Elkhart, Ind., which, with the associated nursing school, will probably cost $800,000. Funds will be solicited during the coming year and the building program will start when materials are available. This is the second hospital to be built by the Church.

For the first time in the history of the Board, cash resources of more than one million dollars were reported. Donations received for the year ending March 31 last were $155,560, an increase of $64,000 over the previous year. Prior to its four-day sessions, the Board conducted a Missionary Training Conference for Youth on the campus of Goshen College, attended by 51 volunteers for missionary service.

Latest Statistics of Catholic Churches

NEW YORK, June 18 (RNS) — The Roman Catholic population of the United States, Alaska, and the Hawaiian Islands has increased to 23,963,671 at present, a gain of 543,970, according to the official Catholic Directory for 1945, just published. Converts during the year numbered 94,908, as compared with 90,822 in 1944.

Archdioceses with Catholic populations in excess of one million are Chicago, with 1,652,657; New York, with 1,112,587; and Boston with 1,155,201. Brooklyn, N. Y., with 1,052,995, continues to be the largest diocese; Rhode Island is the predominantly Catholic state of the country, and Fall River, Mass., leads in percentage (85 per cent) of Catholic population.

There are now 159 members of the American heirachy. They include one cardinal, 22 archbishops, and 136 bishops. The directory lists a total of 38,451 ordained priests. There are 14,302 parishes, with 6,917 additional stations or missions, making a total of 21,219.

Religious personnel includes 6,594 brothers and 138,079 sisters. The teaching staffs of Catholic educational institutions total 95,773, comprising 5,104 priests, 3,371 brothers, 573 scholastics, 77,874 nuns, and 8,851 lay teachers.

A total of 11,075 educational institutions, with 3,205,804 American youth under Catholic instruction, exclusive of 48,329 children in 373 orphanages and infant asylums, and 19,925 in foster homes, a total of 68,254.

There are now 685 Catholic general and 101 special hospitals, a total of 786. Combined bed capacity of 95,626 accomodated 3,347,508 within the past year. Catholic medical facilities in turn conduct 380 training schools, with 38,296 student nurses. Homes for invalids and the aged number 231, caring for 21,301 indigent poor.

More Chaplains Needed to Relieve Those Now In Service

NEW YORK (RNS) June 16— After hearing Brig. Gen. Luther D. Miller, new Army Chief of Chaplains, plead for more chaplains, the Army and Navy Commission of the Protestant Episcopal Church here urged younger clergymen to make "a self examination to determine whether they can still refuse their country's call."

Bishop Henry Knox Sherrill of Massachusetts, chairman of the Commission, reporting on his recent visit to European war areas said he was impressed by the fact that the chaplains are "just dead tired," and declared that 'they are over-strained after two or three years' service, and the need is for younger men to replace chaplains who can be transferred or retired."

Saying he was inclined to discount somewhat the prevalent ideas about the needs of returning service personnel, General Miller added: "These men are not nuts. Most of them will be all right, once they get here and get jobs."

"Del" Grant is Coming East

Special to Evangelical Action

PORTLAND, Ore., June 17— "Del" Grant, evangelist to servicemen, more formally known as Rev. Delbert Stewart Grant, who has been touring the northwest and midwest, is planning to reach Eastern states during July and August, in his effort to cover as many army camps, naval bases and service centers as possible. Del is also editor of March! the digest magazine of Military Evangelism, and associated with Reveille, organ of the Christian Service Center movement. He has traveled 7,000 miracle-miles by plane and jeep through Canada, Yukon Territory and Alaska, having been the first minister to cover the Alcan Highway. He has written the story of those experiences in his book "Blazing a Gospel Trail to Alaska." He left Seattle on a venture of faith with $8.80 in his pocket, returning after the three-months' exploit with eight cents. He uses colored pictures, both sound-track movies and colored stills, to illustrate his stories of missionary travels to the boys in service from Alaska to Panama.

Reconstruction Plans Made by Missouri Lutheran Synod

ST. LOUIS, Mo., (RNS) June 18 —The Lutheran Synod of Missouri, Ohio and Other States has earmarked $1,800,000 of a special fund of $5,000,000, now being raised among its churches, for post-war reconstruction and missionary expansion in Europe, South America, and other countries. Districts of the Church will retain $1,000,000 for mission work in their own territories, $1,500,000 will be devoted to the building and alterations' program of its seminaries and colleges, and $500,000 will be allocated to missionary activity in China, the Philippines, India, and other fields. The remaining $200,000 will be used to erect a new Synodical Headquarters building at St. Louis, Mo., to be dedicated in 1947, when the Missouri Synod celebrates the 100th anniversary of its founding.

This is the branch of the Lutheran Church with which Dr. Walter A. Meier is associated. It is the second largest group of Lutherans, with 4,326 churches and over 1,300,000 members. It is exceeded only by the United Lutheran Church, which has 4,046 churches with over 1,700,000 members.

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Is Religious Broadcasting in the Public Interest

By DR. CLINTON H. CHURCHILL
President National Radio Broadcasters, Inc., and Chairman NAE Radio Commission

Dr. Clinton Churchill

One of the chief concerns at the present time, of evangelical Christians, and religious groups not affiliated with, or represented by the Federal Council of Churches of Christ in America, is the safeguarding of their most effective means of reaching the nation and the world with the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ.

The means to which we refer is radio, and at present there is a decided trend for an increasing number of radio stations and networks to restrict or prohibit the broadcasting of evangelical Christian programs. The major networks allocate little, or none, of broadcasts, and with one exception, the Mutual Network, refuse to sell time for this purpose.

Many individual broadcasting stations are following in the footsteps of the networks, and if the present trend continues, within a very short time it will be impossible for Bible believing Christians to tune in their favorite Gospel broadcasts.

The same radio stations and networks which discriminate against the broadcasting of religious programs, regularly sell select radio time to the brewery and wine interests, the tobacco and cigarette manufacturers, the patent medicine and cosmetic vendors, and the "what have you" of every name and nature.

These radio stations which have in their control, the nation's most effective means of oral communication, operate by virtue of license from the Federal Government. The Congress of the United States has distinctly and positively stated, that these holders of Federal radio licenses, have no vested interest in any wave length. The wave lengths belong to the public. The radio station operators are but the temporary fiduciary trustees of these air channels which belong to the public and should be operated in their interest.

If the broacasting of the Gospel of Jesus Christ is not in the public interest, then it should be discriminated against. But if it is in the public interest to have regular religious broadcasts available to the people of our nation, then these broadcasts should not be discriminated against by the temporary trustees of the people's property.

At the recent Chicago convention of the National Association of Evangelicals, the following reasons for the present critical situation in religious broadcasting were set forth:

Unprecedented commercial competition for available radio time under the present economic conditions; the religious monopoly of the Federal Council of Churches now existing, which excludes minority groups from equitable opportunities; the prevailing policy of the networks and many stations, of refusing to sell time for religion, thus making religion the only legitimate type of program which is subject to discrimination; the unsatisfactory and unethical practices of some broadcasters, which have reflected unfavorably upon all religious broadcasting; and the organized attempts to coerce stations and networks, by ill-advised letters and threats of legal action, which serve only to make all stations reluctant to accept religious programs.

The National Association of Evangelicals believes that through friendly conferences with the representatives of the radio necessary, by the passage of legislation which will make a change in the present discriminatory policies mandatory, this unsatisafctory situation can be corrected.

Every Christian should be exercised and active on behalf of this critical situation and co-operate in seeing to it that the rights of all churches and religious bodies—Jew, Catholic and Protestant (Conservative and Liberal), are respected and safeguarded.

Your support of the National Association of Evangelicals and its affiliate, National Religious Brodcasters, will help to accomplish this purpose.

Through these organizations, evangelical Christians believe that worthy religious broadcasts will be protected and improved; that the rights and privileges of those engaged in accredited religious broadcasting will be respected and preserved and that suitable and advantageous periods for the broadcasting of the programs of divine worship, of Christian education and of Gospel teachings generally, will be made available to the people of our nation by all worthy religious bodies and churches, regardless of their denomination or creed. Freedom of religion is by no means the least of the four freedoms, and this freedom, which includes the freedom of the air, is the inalienable right of the free people of a free democracy. We earnestly solicit your prayers and your support for the maintenance of this right.

Churchill, Hatcher and Others, at Salamanca, N.Y.

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WEST SALAMANCA, N. Y., June 14—In a rousing N.A.E. Rally, held in the United Brethren Church, at West Salamanca, N. Y., Dr. Clinton H. Churchill, pastor of Churchill Tabernacle, Buffalo, N. Y., delivered the evangelistic message. A great deal of old-time revival enthusiasm was evident.

Present at the sessions were Rev. Melville Hatcher, of the Boston office of the NAE, Rev. Don Dibble, and Rev. Wesley J. Parmenter of Buffalo, in addition to pastors and laymen from the surrounding area. Much interest was aroused for NAE at these meetings. Similar gatherings in other sections are in process of development throughout western New York.

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Adventists Call for Myron Taylor's Recall

WASHINGTON, D. C., June 25 (RNS) — President Truman has been petitioned by the General Conference of Seventh-Day Adventists to recall the Myron Taylor mission to the Vatican and end its existence.

"The death of the late President removed the only authority his personal representative possessed," the statement said, "and his representative at the Vatican will be in a more anomalous position than before if he is not recalled, it being inevitable that he will now be looked upon as representing the United States Government, a representation which Congress has never authorized." It added the belief that "the recall of this mission will remove offense and again place all religious groups on an equality before the government, giving no church any governmental preference or prestige above another."

Baptist Students at Work in Southland

ATLANTA, Ga., June 15 (R.N.S.)—More than 200 college and seminary students are now at work on mission fields in Southern states in the Southern Baptist Home Mission Board's summer program for students, Dr. Courts Redford, assistant executive secretary of the board announced. Forty-five schools, including three seminaries, 33 Baptist colleges and several state institutions are represented among the young people enlisted in the twelve-week program.

Appleman And Shufelt Stir City In Cincinnati

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CINCINNATI, Ohio, June 15—A genuine revival was experienced in this city under the recent leadership of Evangelist Hyman J. Appleman, a convert from Judaism, who not only has an experience, but a message which stirs. These meetings were sponsored by a group of Christian business men and a few local churches, which included the Norwood Baptist Church, the Lockland Baptist Church, the Latonia Baptist Church, the Calvary Baptist Church, and some of other denominations, which included the Wesley Chapel, the First Brethren Church, the Christian and Missionary Alliance Church, the Church of the Open Door, and the Wyoming Presbyterian Church.

There were more than 400 actual, definite first-time conversions recorded in the inquiry rooms, many scores of transfers of membership from out-of-town churches, and hundreds of rededications. The services really made an impact on the greater Cincinnati area. Mr. Appleman did the preaching and gospel singer J. Stratton Shefelt conducted the song services. They have been invited to come back to the city for another series of meetings.

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the Gospel. Among the speakers mentioned were Dr. Walter A. Meier of the Lutheran Hour, Dr. A. J. Zoller of Detroit, Dr. William Ward Ayer of Calvary Baptist Church, New York City, and many others.

Mr. Howard W. Ferrin, of Prvoidence, R. I., president of the FM Christian Education Committee, announced an important development in their program for the establishment of a chain of "frequency modulation" stations across the nation to be owned and operated by evangelical organizations. Applications are now in with the proper government agencies and some licenses have been granted. The FM Christian Education Committee voted at its last meeting to affiliate with NRB and was accepted as a constituent member at Buffalo.

Buffalo will be the temporary headquarters of the National Religious Broadcasters, although plans are being considered for the opening of an office in New York City as soon as feasible. A secretary to Dr. Churchill will be chosen in addition to the executive secretary.

Between the morning and afternoon sessions, the Broadcasters were served a turkey dinner by Mrs. Churchill and ladies of the church. Before adjourning, the Broadcasters voted to hold their 1946 National Convention in Chicago and set the date April 27th through 29th.

Dr. Clinton H. Churchill, who is President of the National Religious Broadcasters and Chairman of the Radio Commission of the National Association of Evangelicals, presided at the meeting.

Present at the meeting, in addition to the President, were the following: Dr. John E. Zoller, Vice-President, Detroit, Mich.; Rev. Dale Crowley, Secretary, Washington, D. C.; Dr. William Ward Ayer, New York City; Dr. Eugene Bertermann, St. Louis, Mo.; Mr. Howard W. Ferrin, Providence, R. I.; Rev. Charles L. Leaming, Waterloo, Iowa; Dr. James DeForest Murch, Cincinnati, Ohio; Dr. Glenn V. Tingley, Birmingham, Ala., and Rev. Thomas F. Zimmerman, Springfield, Mo.

Breakfast Clubs Are Flourishing

BOSTON, Mass., June 16 — A recent meeting of the Boston Breakfast Club was addressed by Dr. Abraham Vereide, national director of the Breakfast Club movement, with about 70 business and professional men present. Dr. Vereide gave testimony to what the Lord Jesus Christ meant to him personally, declaring that the secret of success in life is to know that we have redemption through the blood of Christ. In the power which He supplies, the speaker declared, the supernatural becomes natural.

Dr. Vereide told of the Breakfast Clubs which have been organized in Washington, in the Senate and House, which meet on Wednesdays and Thursdays of each week, respectively, for fellowship and prayer. Other breakfast groups already organized in that city, according to Mr. Vereide, include the diplomatic group, the Department of Commerce group, and an executive group, which meets at the Hotel Statler. It is hoped that groups may soon be established in every governmental department.

Mr. Vereide had recently returned from San Francisco, where he had been in attendance at the United Nations Conference. He stated that the San Francisco group is in prosperous condition, with many persons of prominence meeting with it regularly. He believes that the most significant attainment of the Conference is the spiritual understanding which has developed among the believers who are finding each other and are uniting their hearts for the task of bringing about a just peace.

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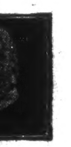

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To rescue these children, specially the worst distressed cases, the fatherless children, we established Orphanages or Christian Homes, where we could give shelter, food, clothing, medical care, ordinary and special vocational training, so the children could help themselves and learn how to become self-reliant, self-supporting adults for the future churches in China. These Homes or Orphanges are carried on the by the native Christians and missionaries of the various groups where the Homes are located. Our work is distinctly Christian. We seek daily to reveal Christ in His love for the little ones and as their personal Saviour and friend, manifesting daily in all our relationship His love and tender care.

How These Homes Are Carried On

We established those Homes where the Christians are well organized and can be trusted to carry on this work of love. It is largely indigenous. Foreign mission boards of the old order have never carried on orphanages in China. Such work in the past has been left by our foreign mission boards to the native Christians and the missionaries working with them. Before the war this may have been the best policy, but now that all life has been upset, with the homeless orphan suffering most of all, we must come to the rescue of the fatherless children. Jesus Christ forever identified Himself with the little ones. If we neglect these and leave them to starve, or to the evil forces, we neglect our Lord, and bring disgrace to His cause. He plainly told us that if we fail to feed the hungry, clothe the naked, visit the sick or imprisoned, or fail to relieve the thristy, one of the least of these, we thus neglect Christ, and our failure to help these suffering ones will face us in the day of Judgment. Many of these orphan children are children of our Christians. Some have themselves believed, and thus are our brothers and sisters in Christ Jesus. The greatest distress in all China is in the famine areas of Toishan and Loyang, where our work has been carried on for over 100 years.

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We have many prominent Christian leaders on our committee for North America. Among them are Drs. C. Gordon Brownville, E. Charles Evans, J. Elwin Wright, Isaac Higginbottom, of Boston, Mass.; Drs. William Ward Ayer, H. Clark Mitchell, John W. Bradbury, Curtis Lee Laws, L. C. Hylbert, Elmer E. Fridell, Edward H. Hume, Bishop Henry St. George Tucker, Dr. Josephine Lawney, Mr. Leland L. Howard, and Dr. Harold Strathearn, all of New York city; Drs. Harry A. Ironside, Kenneth McAfee, C. E. Shedd, A. M. McDonald, John R. Rice, in or near Chicago; Dr. Clinton H. Churchill Buffalo, N. Y.; Dr. R. L. Decker, Kansas City, Mo.; Dr. W. R. White, and Pat M. Neff, of Texas; and many others.

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Boise, Idaho, Eager To Aid NAE Projects

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BOISE, Idaho, June 28—Pastors and churches allied with NAE in this city are eagerly cooperating in plans and suggestions for the promotion of evangelical work in this area. The men meet regularly every month for prayer, fellowship and business. Recently the Fox party of Canada filled the Columbian Auditorium to capacity in two rallies, many having been turned away at the evening service. June 4, this city was introduced into Youth for Christ with splendid attendance at the Free Methodist Church. The Y.M.C.A. has donated use of a large room for further Y.F.C. meetings through the summer.

Plans are being made for a union evangelistic campaign early next year with John R. Rice. Tentative plans are being made for a rally here and possibly also at Nampa, when Rev. William H. Nagel, Pacific N.W. Regional Director, N.A.E., is expected to deliver the addresses.

Minnesota Endeavorers Hear Ferrin And Booth

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MINNEAPOLIS, Minn., June 26 —Minnesota Christian Endeavorers at their fifty-fifth annual state conference held at Medicine Lake, near here, were thrilled by the leadership of two NAE leaders well-known and beloved on the Eastern seacoast, who made their first trip to this region. Howard W. Ferrin, president of Providence (R.I.) Bible Institute for the past fifteen years, was one of the evangelicals who attended the first exploratory conference at St. Louis in 1942. He brought messages of real spiritual uplift to the delegates. F. Carlton Booth, director of music at the Institute, also endeared himself to all by his charming personality, his thrilling voice, and his capable musical leadership. Together, these leaders have made the Mountain Top Hour radio service on Sunday mornings on the New England-wide chain of the Yankee network famous from Maryland to Pennsylvania. Now Minnesota claims them also as friends.

Others wellknown in Yankeeland were Rev. and Mrs. Parks Hunt, who were prominently identified with the Junior conference, Parks with his picture lessons and Athabelle in child evangelism. For Athabelle some years ago was one of the Radio Ensemble of the New England Fellowship. Other's participating in the convention program were Ruth L. Johnson as pianist; Rev. and Mrs. Victor C. Nelson, who served sixteen years under the South Africa General Mission with their missionary message; and Miss Viroqua Nodolf, state Junior Superintendent in charge of the Junior conference.

Pastor Niemoeller Pleads for Help for Germany's Churches

ROME—Pastor Martin Niemoller who is expected to tour the United States as soon as conditions permit, is now on the island of Capri, where he will undergo a rest cure after eight years of imprisonment in Nazi concentration camps. Until recently he was in Naples.

Successful collaboration between America and Germany to bring about the latter's eventual return to the family of nations might be achieved if American Christians approach German Christians in the spirit of the unity of their common faith, in the opinion of Pastor Niemoeller.

"There is a unifying force in the Christian faith," Niemoeller said, "that is stronger than the divisive forces of the nations."

Concerning re-education, Niemoeller believes that German youth between 16 and 22 might be changed in their ideology, since their critical faculties are still alert and receptive. The German clergyman stressed that the basis for such re-education must be the "absolute truth," and must involve strict control. He felt that youth of this age, when confronted with facts which they could check, could be persuaded to a fresh point of view.

Asked about Nazi atrocities, Niemoeller said that what had been published not only was true, but that the stories could be surpassed. In trying to explain how his countrymen could have become so debased he said that a brutality that may at first have hurt the conscience of the perpetrator, when repeated gradually broke down the conscience, as happens when any sin is at first hesitantly practiced, until all inner protest is completely stifled.

"I, myself, was shocked and shattered when I saw pictures and learned the extent of the atrocities," he said. "Although I had been in concentration camps for eight years, and thus was more aware than the average man of what was going on, learning the full extent of atrocities made me see the whole situation in a new light."

Warning that the publicizing of atrocity stories must be followed by constructive steps, the Berlin pastor argued:

"If we spread the guilt complex too widely and deeply without following it up by making it possible for the Germans to redeem themselves as a people, we may possibly be preparing the ground for civil war, in the sense that the Germans may try to assuage their own feeling of guilt by turning in animosity against their neighbors, saying: 'He was more Nazi than I.'"

Pastor Niemoeller has urged that Christians in the United States and Britain mobilize to help the German people through the coming winter. He said the chief purpose behind his projected trip to the United States is to organize help for the Germans similar to that given them by Quakers after the last war.

"I do not believe that the governments of the Allied nations are able or willing to do sufficient in this respect," he declared, stressing the need for American and British Christians to send food to Germany through their churches.

Although a prisoner of the Nazis for two years before the war broke out in September, 1939 Pastor Niemoeller explained his attempt to volunteer for service in the German Navy, as follows:

"By my doctrine and faith, I am bound to give the service of my body for my country, but never my soul. My psychology in volunteering was that of an able-bodied father who sees three sons already dying for their country, while the father remains safe, and I believe a father should sacrifice for his sons rather than the sons sacrifice for the father."

Pastor Niemoeller stressed that the Christian Church is Germany's only hope for the future. He agreed that the church's trials were "a blessing in disguise" and cited countless letters he has received testifying to a deeper religious feeling than anything he witnessed in the last war. He said that services were held every day in his church in Berlin since his arrest.

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2. We believe that there is one God, eternally existent in three persons: Father, Son and Holy Spirit.
3. We believe in the deity of our Lord Jesus Christ, in His virgin birth, in His sinless life, in His miracles, in His vicarious and atoning death through His shed blood, in His bodily resurrection, in His ascension to the right hand of the Father, and in His personal return to power and glory.
4. We believe that for the salvation of lost and sinful man, regeneration by the Holy Spirit is absolutely essential.
5. We believe in the present ministry of the Holy Spirit by whose indwelling the Christian is enabled to live a godly life.
6. We believe in the resurrection of both the saved and the lost; they that are saved unto the resurrection of life and they that are lost unto the resurrection of damnation.
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FREEDOM AT STAKE

In this issue we feature recent developments in the field of religious radio, particularly as they pertain to National Religious Broadcasters, Inc. There is no more timely matter before American evangelicals today.

Within the last few years most national radio networks have adopted the policy of refusing to sell time for religious broadcasting. In this they are aided and abetted by the Federal Council of Churches which has gone on record as favoring only "sustaining" religious radio programs.

This policy is a blow to the American way of life, to say nothing of evangelical Christianity.

It is generally understood that freedom of speech and freedom of worship are guaranteed to every American.

Radio stations belong to commercial organizations but the air on which they operate belongs to the American people. Radio stations have no right to deny freedom of speech or freedom of worship over the air waves.

When radio stations select religious programs for "free" or "sustaining time" it is natural that they would select programs that conform to the religious views of the station and serve as the instrument of advertising the station. If the programs are selected by a local Federation Committee it is likely to be weighted with liberals and programs devoid of loyal gospel preaching. Church groups not affiliated with the Federation have little chance of receiving radio time. Such a policy is a threat to the freedom of religion and a denial thereof.

It is essential that in a free America free churches have ample use of the air for religious purposes, especially on the Lord's Day. Moreover the right to broadcast must be extended to all and the only fair basis is that a reasonable charge be made for the service. If a religious organization believes its doctrines are valid and should have a wider hearing it should be willing to pay for same. Why should Roman Catholic [illegible] Jewish radio personnel arrange programs and pro- [illegible] for Protestant or vice versa? The only [illegible] is to allow Protestants, Jews and Catholics [illegible] of thought to purchase time and use [illegible] with reasonable and established radio standards for religious broadcasting. Any other policy is discriminatory, unsound and un-American.

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The American press has set a splendid example for radio in its treatment of religion. Any church can buy any space it desires for religious purposes. The correspondence columns are open to all faiths. Through news columns and the reporting of church editors religion is constantly given publicity. Furthermore there is a great religious press. The secular press does not seek to pre-empt the whole field. We have real "freedom of the press" as it pertains to religion but we do not now have "freedom of the air" for religion. Secular radio has set up a monopoly and controls religious broadcasting. If such a situation is allowed to continue without change by government statute we will have a situation which will not only be bad for religion but business, the press and radio itself.

J. D. M.

DR. JAMES DeFOREST MURCH

The appointment of James DeForest Murch, D.D., formerly of the staff of the Standard Publishing Company in Cincinnati, to be the Editor-in-Chief of United Evangelical Action marks another milestone in the progress of this paper. Dr. Murch brings to our staff his rich experience in journalism and the field of Christian education.

He has been closely identified with N.A.E. from its beginnings, rendering valuable service on various committees and contributing greatly to the success of the program of our Commission for Church Schools. May God's richest blessing be with him in this important work.

— J. ELWIN WRIGHT

HOW MUCH DO WE WANT UNITED ACTION?

United action among evangelicals is not something to be attained by the mere signing of a creed or voting affiliation with an organization. Frankly, the road to Christian understanding is a long one. Protestantism has a background of hundreds of years of division upon division until, to a large degree, the will to make any sacrifice in behalf of unity has been lost.

The modernists want unity and offer attractive terms for attaining it:—believe it or disbelieve what you like—you will be accepted. However, belief in the inspiration, authority and authenticity of the Bible is discouraged.

Evangelicals insist on making the Word of God—and the Christ who is the Living Word—the foundation of their fellowship. So far so good. The difficulty lies in the fact that too many Presbyterians want unity on the basis of the commonly accepted doctrines of the faith plus those which are peculiar to the reformed churches. The Baptists want unity upon these doctrines plus the doctrines peculiar to the Baptists. The holiness groups are ready for unity with these doctrines as a basis, plus other doctrines emphasized by John Wesley, and so on. United action is unattainable as long as there is an insistence on uniformity in every matter.

It is obvious that there is needed within the church a new leadership, committed to an insistence upon unity in the essential doctrines upon which rests our only hope of salvation but with toleration and liberty regarding the doctrines which have to do with the Christian walk and growth.

Such leadership is in evidence but there is not as yet a sufficient amount of it to produce at once the spiritual revolution which is essential. We are not discouraged with the splendid progress which is being made but we feel the need of emphasis upon this matter of Christian liberty in matters of the interpretation of scriptures which have aroused debate and honest difference of opinion throughout the Christian era.

We like neither the high hat and supercilious attitude of many of the leaders of our older denominations toward the newer groups nor the cocksureness of these latter groups in their criticisms of the more staid communions. The first is an evidence of approaching senility which comes with age and hardened arteries; the second demonstrates the shallow self-assurance of adolesence.

Isn't it true that we should realize how much we need each other and how essential it is for us to stop making faces at our brethren while Rome and modernism continue to make inroads on us, scorning our feeble attempts to make our voices heard?

J. Elwin Wright.

Roving Reporter

Messrs. Howard W. Ferrin and F. Carlton Booth of Providence Bible Institute were the principal speakers at the Minnesota Convention of Christian Endeavor at Medicine Lake, June 18-24. They filled several Minneapolis pulpits on the 17th, including the First Baptist, which is still struggling with the problem of finding someone who can fill the shoes of Dr. W. B. Riley.

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Rev. and Mrs. Parks Hunt, whom we are proud to have had a little part in "raising," are doing splendid service in the evangelistic field. They are fully dated until June, 1946. A little bird told us that they are on the verge of accepting an important assignment in Christian service.

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A meeting of Christian leaders was held recently in Washington, D. C., to lay the groundwork for the appointment of a committee to carry forward an aggressive effort in that area. According to present plans, the organization will take place in September.

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A canvass of the Bible Conferences of the nation reveals a record registration in most instances. This is another indication of the revival spirit which is developing throughout the country.

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The New England Fellowship, which maintains an all-summer conference center in the White Mountains at Rumney, N. H., decided on four weeks of Youth Conferences this season, in place of the usual two, in an effort to reduce the congestion of its facilities. Registrations indicate that the conferences will run at capacity each week.

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A number of important churches are in the market for pastors. Besides the First Baptist in Minneapolis, are noted the Tremont Temple in Boston, Westminster Presbyterian in Cedar Rapids, Iowa; First Presbyterian in Berkeley, Calif.; First Baptist in Spokane, Wash., and Immanuel Baptist in Cambridge, Mass.

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The next meeting of the "Central Committee," a group of four members of the Executive Committee of NAE, selected to meet frequently to care for the rapidly expanding needs of the work, will be in Boston, Mass., on July 2. Several staff members are being called into conference regarding important matters which are being considered at this time. These have to do with fall and winter programs.

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Progress is being made in New England with the plan to bring about a still closer coordination of the work of our various evangelical organizations. The hope is for a simplification of organizational structures with less duplication and overlapping, but with greater coverage and efficiency.

Lutherans Plan Millions for Relief of Europe's Churches

CHICAGO, Ill., June 25 (RNS) —The National Lutheran Council will be asked to raise $10,000,000 in its Lutheran World Action appeals of 1946 and 1947 for spiritual rehabilitation and reconstruction both here and abroad, according to a recommendation adopted here by the American Section of the Convention. Of this amount, $6,500,000 will be allocated to restore Lutheranism in Europe, it was said.

Since 1939, the eight groups affiliated with the National Lutheran Council have raised $4,200,000 for this purpose, and are now conducting a campaign for $2,500,000. The proposed 10 million will be additional. Communions represented in both the National Lutheran Council and the Lutheran World Convention are the United, American, United Danish, Augustana, Danish, Norwegian, Suomi, and Lutheran Free Church. Although the Missouri Synod is not a member of these Lutheran co-operative agencies, representatives of its Emergency Planning Commission conferred here with Council officials on these plans.

President's Column

HERE AND THERE WITH EVANGELICALS

Since the Chicago convention in early May, we have been almost continuously active in the field in denominational and evangelical circles.

Our first engagement was a week's interdenominational series in Syracuse, New York, teaming with the president of the National Association for the Promotion of Holiness, Dr. C. I. Armstrong. We note in passing that Dr. Armstrong's fine church, the College Church of Houghton, New York, has recently voted to establish membership in the National Association of Evangelicals.

Our ministry in Syracuse included luncheon meetings of the Sunday Club Auxiliary and the Christian Business Men. By request, we also met with an inquiring group of conservative pastors who desired to know more about the National Association of Evangelicals.

The following week took us to local meetings of N.A.E. in Philadelphia and Baltimore, and to a meeting of church leaders in chaplaincy recruiting in Washington with Rear Admiral Workman, Chief of Chaplains of the Navy. In that group we were happy to find Clyde Taylor, Director of the Washington office of the National Association of Evangelicals who represented Dr. Ockenga, chairman of the Chaplaincy Commission of N.A.E. The week-end was devoted to a district denominational convention in western New York.

Then came a series of church boards and committees at Winona Lake, followed by commencement addresses at the Bible Holiness Seminary of Owosso, Michigan, and Asbury Theological Seminary of Wilmore, Kentucky—both thoroughly evangelical institutions, one operating at the Bible college and the other at the seminary level. Stirring indeed was it to stand before such clear-eyed, warm-hearted, keen-minded youth "thoroughly furnished unto every good work" and ready to go forth with the good news of salvation.

Home for thirty-six hours! In ministering to other youth, I had missed my own daughter's graduation from high school. But such is the life of an itinerant.

Off again in an effort to meet with a committee of N.A.E. in New York, but held from plane by others with travel priorities. This gap in my schedule permitted me to arrange for a dinner conference with a small group of eager university men at Ann Arbor whose invitation I had been forced to decline the previous week. I was able also to make my first visit to the Detroit office of N.A.E. and chat with Secretary McLean.

The close of the fourth week of N.A.E.'s year took me to Houghton College to deliver the baccalaureate sermon before a fine group of college graduates—the high type of trained Christian youth Steve Paine and his faculty produce. Again I encountered Clyde Taylor, and was stirred by his masterly missionary challenge in the annual student service. And I also heard that prince of radio preachers, Walter A. Maier, deliver Houghton's commencement address.

A two-day denominational fellowship of Ohio ministers at Mansfield camp opened the next week's duties. En route to my next denominational engagement at Portland, Maine, I called at the Boston office and also conferred with Park Street pastor and past-president of the National Association of Evangelicals, Dr. H. J. Ockenga.

En route home, a side trip took me to Hillsdale, Michigan, where I represented the evangelical cause before the General Conference of that sturdy evangelical denomination, the United Brethren in Christ.

And now I am home, catching up with office details and preparing for an arduous summer conference itinerary. Immediately before me is a visit to the Synod of the Christian Reformed Church in Grand Rapids, and shortly thereafter, I journey to Ottumwa, Iowa, to address a Youth-for-Christ rally.

In the midst of these strenuous weeks, a letter from one of the older bishops of the Methodist Church has brought great personal encouragement. After reading our report of activities on a state college campus in UNITED EVANGELICAL ACTION of April 4, this revered bishop writes:

"I wish I were young and strong enough to get into the most active Christian work of these days."

And he meant what he said for he enclosed a substantial check by which he is now promoting the evangelical cause through the National Association of Evangelicals.

Leslie R. Marston

BOOK REVIEWS

The Triumphs of Faith

By Rev. G. CAMPBELL MORGAN, D.D.

A thoroughly evangelical treatment of the subject of faith as the experience of the individual, not as the objective criterion of Christianity. The content of these eighteen addresses is taken from Hebrews 10:38 to 12:2 and proceeds from a true explanation of faith through a dozen illustrations from the roster of the heroes of faith to the consummation of the example of faith in Jesus Christ. It is the philosophy of life for the Christian.

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HAROLD J. OCKENGA

(Published by Fleming H. Revell Co. 192 pages. Cloth, $2.)

(The recent death of Dr. Campbell makes this volume a book of especial interest at this time.—Editor.)

New Victorius Hymns

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(Published by Zondervan. 135 pages. Cloth, $1.50)

G. E. RICHTER

Torrey Johnson Receives Wheaton's D.D. Degree

Special To Evangelical Action

CHICAGO, Ill., June 14—Rev. Torrey Johnson, pastor of Midwest Bible Church, and director of Chicagoland Youth for Christ, was given the honorary degree of Doctor of Divinity at the Annual Commencement Exercises of Wheaton College on Monday, June 11.

Mr. Johnson, who delivered the commencement address, and his associate, Rev. Robert Cook, had also been given the degree of Doctor of Humanities May 23 at Bob Jones College, Cleveland, Tenn. Also present for the conferring of honorary degrees at that time were Dr. Stephen Paine, president of Houghton College; Alva McLain of Grace Seminary; Evangelist John R. Rice, and others.

Now in his twelfth year as pastor of Midwest Bible Church, Johnson started with less than a score of members in a store-front. Today the spacious church building is augmented by seven store buildings and a radio studio.

O.D.T. Spokesman Says Am[illegible] Council Man Misquot[illegible]

WASHINGTON, D. C., June 18 (RNS) — The Office of Defense Transportation has categorically denied that any member of its staff had ever told the Rev. W. O. H. Garman, of Pittsburgh, Pa., representative of the American Council of Christian Churches, that "you either discontinue these Bible conferences or I'll make it impossible for you to hold them." A spokesman for the ODT took quick, violent exception to Mr. Garman's statement issued in Pittsburgh, in which the minister was quoted as having said he had advised churches affiliated with the Council to ignore the ODT in holding Bible conferences.

"Mr. Garman's statements concerning what ODT representatives have said to him are completely without foundation," an authorized spokesman for the ODT told reporters here. "No threat has been made or implied by any of our employees. [illegible] matter of fact, Mr. Garman is the only religious representative in America who has consistently taken the attitude characterized by his remarks. Otherwise, we have had 99 per cent co-operation from church groups — pastors and laymen — and we expect that such co-operation will continue. We do not believe that even the churches whom Mr. Garman represents will follow him in his announced stand of ignoring a vital wartime agency."

War-Time Service Goal Exceeded by Northern Presbyterians

NEW YORK, (RNS), June 20—The 1944-45 War-Time Service Fund of the Presbyterian Church in the USA has been oversubscribed by $178,905.00 with total receipts reaching $1,432,905, it was announced here by Dr. Harold A. Dalzell, executive director of the War-Time Service Commission.

Dr. Dalzell reported that the excess amount would be devoted to immediate post-war needs in Europe and the Orient. The $1,254,000 originally set as the Fund's goal has been allocated as follows: men in service, $457,344; war-industry communities and refugee service, $289,674; foreign war emergency relief, $487,805; youth service in war communities, $19,187.

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Findings of Southern Presbyterian Assembly

MONTREAT, N. C. (R. N. S.)—Continuation of its Permanent Committee on Co-operation and Union was voted by the 85th General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church in the U. S. (Southern) with instructions to "explore and search in suitable ways and means of bringing into one body all branches of our Presbyterian family." The Committee was also requested to "perfect as soon as practicable" the plan for reunion of the denomination with the Presbyterian Church in the U. S. A.

Several overtures calling for withdrawal from the Federal Council of Churches were rejected as the Assembly voted to remain in the interdenominational agency.

Expressing belief that "the prestige of maintaining an unofficial or official ambassador at the Roman Catholic Vatican is out of accord with the ideals and principles of the American people," the Assembly urged President Truman to recall Myron Taylor from the post.

The Assembly declined to make a new deliverance on dancing and worldly amusements, instead reaffirming its former stand which warns against "over-indulgence in and the abuse of these and other amusements."

Inconsistences of government

Rev. S. T. Byars Elected Moderator Of the Cumberland Presbyterian Church

LEWISBURG, Tenn. (R.N.S.)—The Rev. S. T. Byars, of Rogersville, Ala., was elected Moderator of the Cumberland Presbyterian Church at the 115th General Assembly here. The Women's Missionary convention which generally meets in conjunction with the Assembly was cancelled this year because of O. D. T. travel restrictions. The opening address was by Elder M. Aughan, of Jackson, Tenn., retiring Moderator, who spoke on the need for a crusading spirit in the church.

A memorial asking the Church to rejoin the World Council of Churches was rejected with the assertion that "the majority of our people are uninformed as to the advantages and disadvantages of membership in said Council."

Prior to this action, the question was raised whether the Assembly could "by its vote commit the church to membership in any organization separate and apart from the church itself?" The Judiciary Committee stated that the Assembly, "although the highest court of the church, dares not go beyond the express provisions of the church constitution," and added that "we find no provision in the constitution which in our judgment can be rightly construed as granting the Assembly the power to vote the church into membership with any organization outside the church itself." The issue provoked intense debate.

The Assembly adopted a report calling for a unified budget of $80,000, as increase of nearly $40,000. A program of evangelism, was endorsed, and a commission representing each of the ten synods of the Church was named to direct the campaign.

The Commitee on Prohibition and Law Enforcement, observing that "the disposition of our government in relation to alcoholic beverage is a menace which the church will have to face," urged the development of a sentiment so strong that political parties will desire a dry platform."

Under the report of the Committee on Ministerial Relief, the Assembly named a committee to investigate setting up a retirement fund.

A request was sent to the Army, the President and Secretary of State to lift the ban on religious gatherings, since the ban [illegible]cies in forbidding church gatherings for Bible study under wartime travel restrictions while at the same time permitting sports events and recreational camps to operate were deplored in another resolution.

Protestants Challenged by Post-Time Problems

NEW YORK (RNS) June 2[illegible]—Protestant churches should plan now for an expanded [illegible] ministry to the rapidly increasing migrant population of America caused by the readjustments resulting from the end of war in Europe, according to a representative of the 23 Protestant Home Mission boards that constitute the Home Missions Council of North America.

"Protestant home missions are facing a real revolution in their service to needy people," he said. "We need to prepare now to give religious ministry to greater numbers of shifting families in the next few months, and to those who will need our help in the economic depression which is sure to come within a few years."

Plans are being made for a survey of unrooted peoples, to include a study of areas which are not now self-supporting because of the shift of workers to war industrial communities. This meeting also called for release of American Indians from federal supervision, and the granting of full citizenship to them. Pending this legislation, the committee advocated immediate action in granting full citizenship to Indian veterans of World War II, including "release from restrictions on trust-held land which at present practically nullifies the provision of loans to Indians under the G. I. bill of rights."

Christian Endeavor Launches New Program

BOSTON, Mass., (RNS), June 23—The International Society of Christian Endeavor has launched its next youth program, in which C. E. societies and union of North America will work together for the two years beginning July 1 toward objectives of the new program, "Enlist for Christ."

Stress will be placed on winning others to church membership and personal Christian living, on Christian citizenship in home life, social responsibility, wholesome recreation, activities against liquor, inter-racial goodwill and public morality, and on post-war leadership in the church, community, education, vocations, Christian missions and world brotherhood.

Gideon Presents Bibles to California Assembly Members

SACRAMENTO, Calif., June 18, (RNS)—Samuel Fulton, a Milwaukee, Wis., industrialist and for six times international president of the Gideon Society who is on a west coast tour, speaking in the interest of the Bible organization, presented special engraved Bibles to all members of the California State Assembly at a session of the legislative body here. Fulton said this is the first time a state legislature has been Bibled.

Catholic's Take Over Methodist College

STOCKTON, Calif. (R.N.S.) —A Catholic center has been established at the College of the Pacific, a Methodist institution here, after a survey revealed that there were more students of Roman Catholic preference than any other on the campus. A second-floor room in the Chapel has been equipped with an altar and confessional. Regular masses are held, and confessions are heard weekly.

on racing had been lifted. It pointed out "the fact that Christian work is basically essential to our national strength."

The Rev. Wayne Wiman of Memphis, Tenn., was named stated clerk and treasurer of the Assembly.

Northern Presbyterian to Send Out 100 New Missionaries

NEW YORK, (RNS), June 18—The Board of Foreign Missions of the Presbyterian Church in the U. S. A. held its 47th annual conference here with missionaries newly appointed to foreign [illegible].

The group, consisting of 41 appointees from 21 states and [illegible] foreign countries, represented the first contingent of the 100 new missionaries which the Church plans to send into active service this year. The fields to which they are assigned include Africa, Brazil, China, Guatemala, India, Iran, Mexico, the Philippines, Syria, and Thailand.

Disciples' Mission Secretary Leaves For Philippines

INDIANAPOLIS, Ind., June 2[illegible] (RNS) — Dr. E. K. Higdon, secretary of the United Christian Missionary Society of the Disciples of Christ, and secretary of the Philippine Committee of the Foreign Missions Conference, has left for Manila to investigate relief conditions on behalf of all denominations having missions in the islands. He will make a report to the home churches. Other mission officials are also planning to enter the Philippines as soon as permission can be obtained.

Attica, N. Y., Holds NAE Conference and Rally

ATTICA, N. Y., June 18—Sponsored by the Christian Layman's Committee, a group of Evangelicals from this area, met for a Conference and Rally yesterday in the Attica Street Baptist Church, at Attica, N. Y. Rev. Addison Conrad is pastor of this church, which recently joined the National Association of Evangelicals.

A general discussion outlining the purpose of the NAE was held during the afternoon. Rev. Walter Vail Watson, pastor of Bethlehem Presbyterian Church in Buffalo, is President of the Western New York Conference of the NAE, and Rev. Wesley J. Parmenter, pastor of Kennedy Free Methodist Church in Buffalo, is Field Secretary.

Ladies of the sponsoring group served a dinner to 75 delegates, and following the dinner, Dr. Clinton H. Churchill, pastor of the Churchill Tabernacle in Buffalo, and President of the National Religous Broadcasters, addressed the group concerning the part which radio is playing in the NAE organization. He told his audience that practically all the large evangelical broadcasters of the Gospel in this country, either have or are about to join the NRB, which is an affiliate of NAE.

In the evening session the church was filled to capacity and following an inspiring song service, Dr. Churchill brought an evangelistic message, based on the first eight verses of the first chapter of Acts. He especially stressed the importance of witnessing, and did so in a most challenging way. At the close of the meeting many were heard expressing their desire of joining the NAE.

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Wheaton Confers Degree On Rev. Harold Warren

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FLINT, Mich., June 18—An honorary degree of Doctor of Divinity has been conferred upon Rev. Harold P. Warren, Pastor of the North Baptist Church in Flint, Michigan, by Wheaton College. Mr. Warren gave the commencement address to the graduates of the Wheaton Academy on Saturday afternoon, June 9th, and received his own degree at the closing exercises of the College on Monday morning, June 11th. He is well-known at Wheaton having been used as God's speaker and leader in the revival which swept the campus in February, 1943.

Dr. Warren celebrated his fifth anniversary as pastor of the North Baptist Church the first of June. Former pastorates were held at the Brookville Baptist Church in Brookville, Mass. and the First Baptist Church in Romeo, Mich. He is a graduate of the Pontiac, Mich. High School, 1927; and took under graduate work at the University of Michigan. He received his Ph. B. degree at Gordon College of Theology in Boston, Mass. and his M.A. degree at Wayne University in Detroit.

Pastor Warren is much loved by members and friends of the North Baptist Church. The church has grown rapidly under his ministry. A Sunday School building program, launched last year, is expected to expand as war priorities permit. The radio ministry of the North Church is far reaching, with a daily morning devotional program and a Sunday evening broadcast, which has began its fourth year this month.

Mental Hospital Service Given By Mennonites

AKRON, Pa., (RNS) June 21—The Mennonite Central Committee is sponsoring for the second year a women's summer service program at a number of mental hospitals where Civilian Public Service units are functi[illegible] Ypsilanti, Michigan, there [illegible] unit of fifteen women; at Warr[illegible]ville, Pennsylvania, ten; at Poughkeepsie, New York, twenty-

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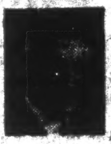

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[illegible]TON, D. C., June 25 — Strong support of universal military training was voiced here by Army Chief of Chaplains Brig. Gen. Luther D. Miller, who refuted charges that Army service endangers youthful morals.

"I resent deeply the common and ill-considered imputation that the atmosphere of the Army degrades and debauches our youth," he declared. "As a parent and as a clergyman, I would oppose military training with all my heart if I thought it would destroy morals."

Dr. Daniel A. Poling, editor of the Christian Herald and president of World Christian Endeavor, told the Committee that critics of universal military training have failed to mention the Swiss system, which he said is comparable to the proposed program for the United States, and that no religious leaders in Switzerland criticized that country's training program.

Massachusetts Churchmen Oppose State Lottery

BOSTON, Mass., June 18 — Church groups, together with civic and women's organizations, expressed strong opposition at a hearing conducted here by the joint legislative ways and means committee against a proposal to establish a state lottery as a tax producing measure. It was argued by the opponents that through such a measure the Legislature would raise revenue out of the weakness of the people; that it would lower the moral tone of the state, and that a lottery would be financially and morally unsound.

Archbishop Cushing of Boston, and Bishop James E. Cassidy of Fall River, sent a representative to voice their opposition to the movement. The latter has been a life-long prohibitionist and opponent of gambling in all its forms.

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Corvallis, Ore., Region Enthuses Over NAE

(Special to Evangelical Action)

CORVALLIS, Ore., May 28 (Delayed)—This city, the home of Oregon State College, recently welcomed Dr. J. Elwin Wright and Rev. William Nagel, staff officers of the NAE, at a one-day conference. Dr. Wright spoke Sunday morning in the First Baptist Church, which broadcasts its services over KWIL, while Mr. Nagel spoke at the local Nazarene Church. In the evening Mr. Nagel spoke at the Corvallis Assembly of God, while Dr. Wright addressed the Evangelical Church of Albany. In the afternoon a rally of the four churches was held in the local Evangelical Church. The results of this rally will be more apparent in the near future in the linking up of several Corvallis churches with the NAE group already organized in Albany, eleven miles from here. With the union of all such churches in a Central-Williamette Valley organization, this would present a group of real strength.

The spiritual fellowship of NAE made a real appeal and will be followed by whole-hearted cooperation. Dr. E. B. Hart, pastor of the Baptist Church, who made arrangements for this rally, is a long-time intimate friend of Dr. R. L. Decker of Kansas City, Mo., vice-president of NAE, and his interest in the movement had been a strong commendation of this movement so greatly needed in this day of widespread disunion and confusion.

Michigan Promotes Religious Education in Public Schools

Special to Evangelical Action

LANSING, Mich., June 18—The religious education in public schools movement is making progress. The Michigan legislature is considering House Concurrent Resolution No. 20, opening the schools of the state for prayer and reading of the scriptures. Favorable action is anticipated. Duluth, Minn., and Colorado, in earlier projects of this kind, have blazed the way for Michigan.

"Rodeo City" Throws A Successful Meeting

Special to Evangelical Action

PENDLETON, Ore., June 20—This community, scene of the greatest annual rodeo in America, has had a different sort of thrill recently. A series of promotional meetings in outlying towns had been held during the last week of May conducted by Rev. William H. Nagel, regional director of the Northwest Pacific district of the National Association of Evangelicals. Following this, during the first week of June, Mr. Nagel held services in the First Baptist Church, a NAE affiliate, under the sponsorship of that church, the Assembly of God, and other cooperating churches of Umatilla county.

Excellent interest was shown by the public in the national and local program of NAE. Attendance increased from night to night. Rev. Gordon Johnson pastor of the First Baptist Church said, "This was one of the best-attended conferences I have ever seen in Pendleton." July 9, a county organizational meeting is to be held for the election of an executive committee for the local NAE group.

Plans are under consideration for a city-wide evangelistic effort during "Round-up Week" in September, when some 20,000 people visit this city. Plans are being made for a Sunday school conference with Dr. Clarence H. Benson of the Evangelical Teacher Training staff, also in September. Another project under consideration is an effort to launch a Youth for Christ movement that will reach out to appeal to the entire county.

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German Evangelical Bishop Would Separate Church from State

GENEVA (By Wireless) (R.N.S.)—Reorganization of the German Evangelical Church on the basis of complete church-state separation is being proposed by Bishop Theophilus Wurm of Wurttemberg, who has emerged from the war as the central figure in German Protestantism.

(The German Evangelical Church is the national church of Germany comprising both Lutheran and Reformed elements. Latest information indicates the Church has a membership of [illegible], of which about 34,000,000 are Lutherans.)

Bishop Wurm stated that the Church's free status "will not imply that we will resign from the duty of serving our country," but that "we will have our hands freed of state control." Severance of ties with the state will mean that the Evangelical Church must become self-supporting, but Dr. Wurm believes this problem can be faced with "equanimity," because voluntary contributions from church members have grown steadily, with offerings this year showing a 100 per cent increase.

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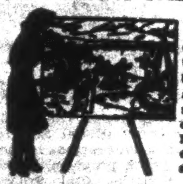

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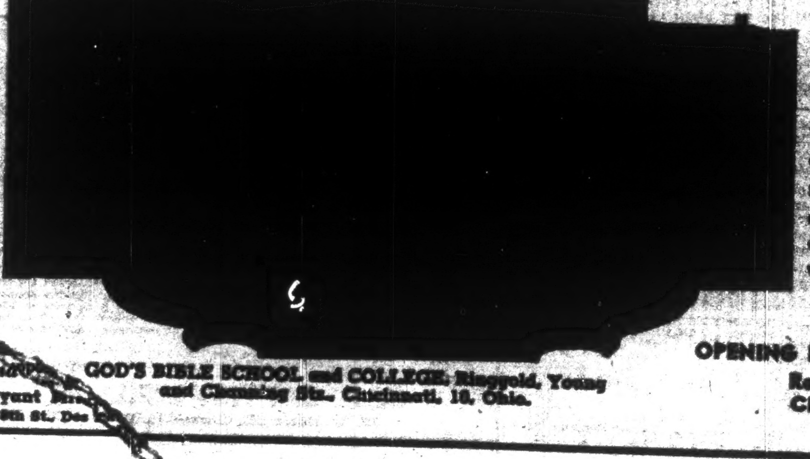

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